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NORTH-WEST KIANGSI LAID BARE BY REDS

Farmers Forced to Abandon Crops and
Flee to Cities on Alarms

MILITARY HOLDING TOWNS

From North-west Kiangsi has come a graphic story of the Communist-bandit situation. While government troops pour into the province in other districts, Kong Ho Long continues his marauding and banditry to the devastation of the countryside there. Cities and fields that have been productive for generations sink under weeds before his ravages.

To add to the misery of the people famine has shown its ugly head. What little rice is harvested is in constant danger, because upon the first alarm that bandits are near, the people seize what little they can, and run for their lives to the cities, leaving crops to be stolen, houses to be burned.

All the country in that area is mountainous, so that when driven back, the bandits find safety in the barrenness of the land, where few people live to check their movements. Ordinarily the Government troops dare not leave the towns in which they are stationed for fear of a defeat that would mean laying open the town itself, according to the news received. When attacked, however, the troops fight fiercely.

CANTON SUCCESSES IN SOUTH

The barren, mountainous character of the country not only acts as a refuge, but it also acts as a goad. Where inertia might stay the hand of the bandits in country, from which they could derive even a meagre living, in north-west Kiangsi they meet the pangs of hunger, and must take chances.

The fear was expressed in the North-China Daily News that Wansui, Tungku, and Hsiuwei had been retaken by the Reds after they had been driven out of the Wansui basin. Word now comes from a reliable source that in the past year Tungku and Hsiuwei have not been in Red hands, although Tungku escaped capture very narrowly in a two-day siege.

Rumours of Kung Ho-long.

It happened that the city of Tungku was barricaded all-round with splendid defences and earthworks. Look-out towers and machine gun emplacements were on the hills around. The city was garrisoned by the 77th Division of Government troops, who are well disciplined and well behaved.

The rumours spread that the Reds had been victorious and were already at Tai-pu. This was once a prosperous little township, and the centre of much trade coming over from Hunan to Tungku. Now through bandit depredations it has gradually gone down until it is practically a wilderness. Houses and shops are ruined, people have fled from fields that are now overgrown with grass and weeds. But Tai-pu is not an isolated case. Many towns in the Tungku basin have gone down similarly.

The Reds made Tai-pu their temporary base and ravage the countryside for grain, coming within fifteen li of Tungku. At the time only two companies of soldiers were stationed at Tungku, barely enough to guard the city, certainly not enough to dare to leave the town. Still the troops managed to harass the bandits, but they raided many stores of grain, and things were difficult in Tungku on account of the overcrowding of refugees and the lack of rice.

Tungku Barricaded.

Then came tales of Kung Ho-long. For two days refugees poured into the town in greater numbers. Rumours were rife, and one morning about 10,000 panic-stricken people fled toward the fortifications. The bandits were only five li away. The people feared they would not get inside the gates of the fortifications before the troops closed them before the bandits. The troops feared that among the crowding, seething masses might be bandits. Then the gates closed. People

took refuge in shops with their assortment of bundles and baskets. A number of cows and buffaloes had been driven in, and these were tied up on the streets here and there, while many chickens and ducks that had been carried in by the poor folk in their baskets added to the general din.

The military soon had the situation well in hand, and were patrolling the streets, and examining the crowds in the shops to detect any bandits that might have possibly got in the city in the crush. Meanwhile the walls and defences were manned, and everything was put in readiness against the bandits' attack.

IN HONG KONG TO-DAY

LOCAL SHOWERS.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER REPORT, FORECAST AND REMARKS, ISSUED BY THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY, AT 5.37 P.M., STATED:—

THE TYPHOON IS MOVING INLAND AND FILLING UP TO THE NORTH-WEST OF HAIKONG. PRESSURE IS ALMOST UNIFORM OVER THE REMAINDER OF THE SEA.

LOCAL FORECAST:—S. WINDS, MODERATE; WITH LOCAL SHOWERS.

tack. The Red armies, however, thought better of attacking so formidable a stronghold, but they looted to within three li of the city. It was reported that they had not much ammunition, that all they wanted was grain, for they had nothing to eat. For two days the bandits waited and watched for an opening, but when another Company of Government troops appeared the bandits fled.

The bandits, however, skirted the town and came up from the rear, but this time there were troops to spare. When the bandits within ten li of the town the troops came out to meet them with machine guns and light cannons. The bandits fled back to Hsiuwei and Le-fang, some 45 li away. After two days they fled farther, and are now believed to be out of the district.

For the last few weeks everything has been peaceful, but the fear of bandits is constantly with

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NAZI ATTACK ON SHIPPING

AMBIGUOUSLY WORDED
ORDER

BERLIN, Aug. 10.
FOREIGN shipping companies may be forced to close their German offices, following an ambiguously worded order which considerably restricts the freedom of German passengers to book passages with a foreign shipping company.

The interpretation of the new order is at present a matter of the greatest difficulty.—Reuter.

THE FREE STATE CONSTITUTION

THREE IMPORTANT BILLS
IN DAIL

DUBLIN, Aug. 10.
IMPORTANT amendments to the Irish Free State constitution are contained in three Bills introduced into the Dail yesterday.

The first transfers from the Crown's representative to the Executive Council the function recommending appropriations of money.

The second abolishes the right of the Crown's representative to withhold assent to Bills, and the third terminates the right to appeal to Privy Council.—Reuter.

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TO-DAY

(August 11)

(VI. Moon, 29th Day)
"Madame Jolie" at Club de Recreio.

Auctions.—Crown Land Sale, District Office, South, H.K., 11 a.m.

Things and Chattels hypothesized under Bill of Sale No. 44 of 1932, comprising Singer's Sewing Machines, etc., China Auction Rooms, 11 a.m.

Meetings.—Project for an Anglican Church in Kowloon Tong, 4, Embankment Road, 9 p.m.

Miscellaneous.—Whist Drive on board H.M.S. Tamar, 8.45 p.m.
Concert Music, Roof Garden, Peninsula Hotel.

Theatres.

Queen's: "Cruiser Emden."
King's: "Queen Kelly."
World: "Hell Below."
Star: "Downstairs."

Oriental: "Destiny Rides Again."
Majestic: "The Flag Lieutenant."
Central: "The Speckled Band."

Dances.

Tea Dances at Gloucester Building; King's Restaurant; Hong Kong and Repulse Bay Hotels.
Dinner Dances at Hong Kong and Repulse Bay Hotels; King's Restaurant; and Gloucester Building.

Principal Mails.

Inward from Australia by Chang; from Europe via Siberia by Rajputana.

Outward for America by Empress of Japan 10 a.m.; for America and Europe via Siberia by Pres. Cleveland 5 p.m.

Sports.—K.O.O.'s final round of Handicap "A" Billiards Tournament, K.O.O., 8.30 p.m.
Sunrise.—5.58 a.m.; Sunset.—6.55 p.m.

Tides.—High at 1.00 and 12.22. Low at 6.31 and 18.54.

the people, and the homes they return to are burned, and the stores they return to are gone.

Hsiuwei is more prosperous and safe than Tungku, the tea trade is in full swing there, but still Kung Ho-long is free.—N. C. Daily News.

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MODES of the MOMENT

FASHION NOTES BY AIR MAIL

Windy Days Millinery.

The latest hats have last year's shallow crown and wide brim emphasised to a point which, while elegant to a degree, catches every breeze. As the straws used are fragile, certain makers had supplied each model with a metal clamp embracing the back of the head, a patent catch over each ear, an elastic band sew into the lining, and variations on the old pattern of a cord attached to a button-hole. The efficiency of each system was tested with a ventilating apparatus, which made an artificial hurricane stormy enough to wreck two of the exhibits beyond repair.

The "Alice" Bandeau.

Paris has prepared amusing jewellery for sea-bathing. There are brightly coloured bands made of wood or rubber. Some look like Italian mosaic jewellery. Bands are worn as necklaces, bracelets or anklets. There are brightly painted rings and bangles of carved

wood and brilliantly coloured rubber bands, some decorated with elaborate patterns, and worn just below the knee, like a garter.

When Alpaca is Smart.

Alpaca, in black and white is worn for travel. American women manage never to look creased or crumpled in the new alpacas, which they wear with practical washing accessories, in addition to the trim tight skirt, with a shirt of black and white polka dots, travels with a softly swathed turban of black silk straw and veil, looks the last word in smartness.

Jaunty Bows.

A dress which would be useful for an afternoon or evening occasion, or for the afternoon if the weather permitted is of grey organdie spotted with orange, and both the yoke of the bodice and the sash ends attached to the front of it finish in jaunty bows at the back. Another attractive dinner dress illustrates the high to the neck line, both at

the back and in front. In front it slopes obliquely from left to right where a band of diamante embroidery ends as a shower at the side. The long close fitting sleeves are scooped out just below the shoulder, and the owner of a slim figure will find the close fitting lines of this frock particularly becoming.

"Fashions for Sailing."

Cream flannel is the right thing to wear, and at the moment grey flannel coats and skirts, in all tones from pale to dark, including the one they call "green" the craze. These must not be made on fussy lines—strictly tailored is the correct fashion. Though a two-piece suit is always suggested by this fabric, it makes up into trim dresses. A three-quarter length belted coat is another fashion that is suitable to cream flannel. And white pique. Many people look their best in a crisp pique dress or suit with a bright splash of colour supplied by scarf, hat or sunshade.

PASTEL COLOUR VOGUE FOR HEIGHT OF SUMMER

Encouraged by the brilliant weather, we have gone "all pastel" in the last week or so. In clothes, as in house decoration, the present preference is for soft crayon tones. Maize is a favoured yellow in this group of colours and, banana is another. Then we have what is termed "dusty" pale pink—a charming hue with a delicate bloom on it like a peach. Hyacinth-blue has come back, the pale hyacinth having been taken as a pattern. And pansy-blue is one of the loveliest of all the modern glue tints. As for "faded" greens, they are numerous—pecunia, for instance, a subdued olive, and water-lily. String-colour is usually with us, and is in evidence now. So is the new "pink-white" that has a glint of icy-blue in it.

Platinum Grey. Platinum grey and a soft pearl grey rule the world wherein grey is voted the smart colour. Platinum is a shade for the blonde with a perfect skin and bright eyes, and for the brunette vivid colouring. The "inbetweens" should not wear it unless it is cleverly mixed with another colour. But it is in the role of colour-contrast that it proves most successful. It tones admirably with coral, for example, and also with blue if the latter is carefully chosen.

OPEN AIR STAGE FOR LONDON

Plays to be Produced in Regent's Park

AIDED BY A WEATHER PROPHECY

Plays will be performed regularly in the open air in London this summer for the first time in theatrical history. Mr. S. Sydney Carroll has obtained permission from the Office of Works to establish an open-air theatre in the grounds of the Inner Circle, Regent Park, formerly the gardens of the Royal Botanic Society.

He is leasing the grounds from the Office of Works, and prices of admission will range from 1s. to 12s. Plays will be produced by Mr. Carroll, who presented an open-air performance of "Twelfth Night" last year, from June to October. There will be an open-air stage and auditorium, with seating accommodation for 4,000 people.

At night the grounds will be floodlighted, while amplifiers fitted to the trees will enable every member of the audience to hear clearly.

In case of rain a marquee and covered-in stage will be in readiness for the speedy transfer of audience and players.

A novel feature of the scheme is that a weather prophet will be engaged.

He will decide each morning whether the performance should be given in the open or under cover.

The services of well-known producers, such as Sir Philip Ben Greet, Mr. Robert Atkins and Mr. Maxwell Gray, are being enlisted. Among the plays to be produced will be "Twelfth Night," "The Tempest" and "Comus."

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There are some excellent corsets for those whose figures do not need so much control, which make a good foundation for these summer frocks. The Tu-Way-Stretch Slip-In is a smaller model which fits snugly over the hips. Another new corset is named the MissSimplicity, it fastens at the side but has a cunning strap of elastic crossed at the back which gives great figure control. For the very hot weather the best of all is a lovely Gossard corset made of transparent voile with brassier-top. It is the coolest and prettiest thing I have seen anywhere.

THE FELIX HAT SHOP

There is a ten dollar window here in which a selection of charming Summer hats are displayed. There are hats with big shady brims at this price as well as a number of smart little hats for windy weather. Inside I was shown some lovely evening gowns, in "fine" silk-lace. Pure white looks deliciously cool but so does pale rose-pink, or sage green. Lace is ideal for evening wear at this time of year, and every one of them has a lining of silk or crepe-de-chine.



WHITEAWAY LAIDLAW

There are some most artistic coloured blankets at Whiteaways

just now. I seem rather odd to describe a blanket as artistic, but when it is made of soft and fleecy wool in delicate shades of cowslip-yellow or vixen-rose or wedgewood-blue it seems the only suitable description. These lovely blankets are sold in pairs and the price is \$1/50, and they are an adornment to any room. There is another blanket in fawn with a key-pattern border in a darker shade which is excellent for a bachelors' room, price 14/50. There are also some Amha-blankets of bright red or brown which are good value at 3/-.

DOLLY VARDEN HAT SHOP

The hat sale is nearing its close at Dolly Varden Hat Shop but there are many bargains still to be got. I saw some very pretty modern hats in a variety of useful and pleasing colours. Little black hats are particularly useful for between-seasons, and look most distinctive with light Summer frocks. There is not a hat at more than ten dollars, but—(let me whisper this)—there are just a few at even less than this price.

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Gordons have a reputation for shoes of quality, but it is something of a novelty to find lingerie on sale there. This week there is a whole window devoted to delightful Van Raalte lingerie which is being sold at less than cost-price, and I saw all sorts of dainty little garments in pink or peach colour, in which which seem quite as cool as white. Knickers, with brassiers, to tone and slim little vests of various kinds are all being cleared off in the sale, those in search of dainty underwear should pay a visit of inspection.

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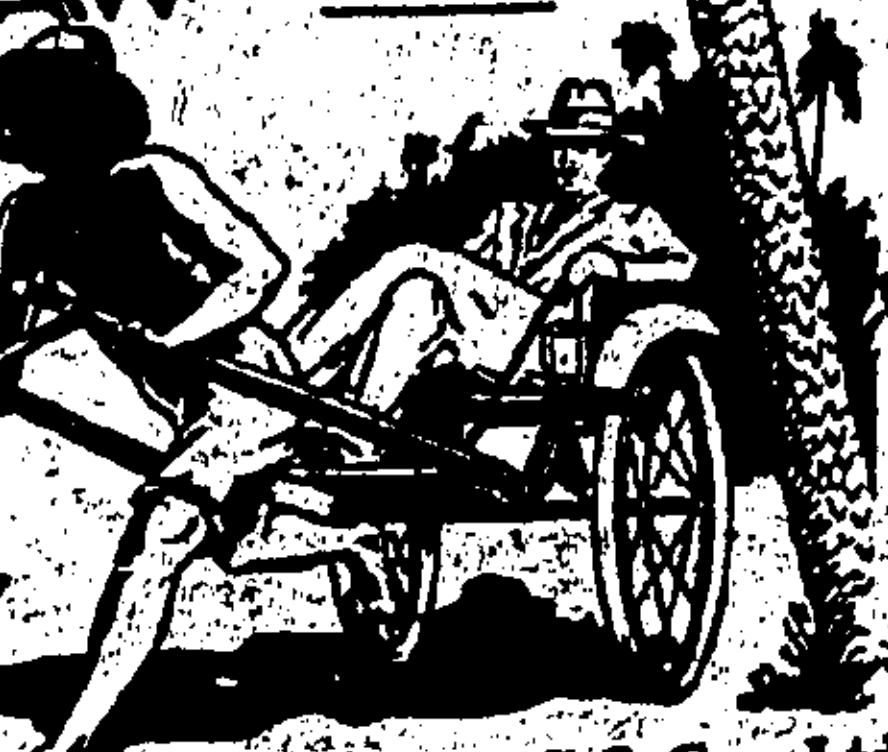
most to the shoulder and then very full. Outside the church following the ceremony, a crowd of about 3,000, mostly women, rushed the police barrier and swayed round the Princess. The Princess's crown was knocked off her head and her train was trodden upon, until she was finally bundled into the waiting car. Women sprang on the running-board, and it was fully five minutes before the police could get the car away. The honeymoon is at Villa d'Este, on Lake Como. The bridegroom is a Kinsman of Prince Serge Mdivani—one-time husband of Pola Negri—a famous film-star who will soon be seen in a picture in Hong Kong. Pola has not acted much, since she parted from Prince Serge Mdivani.

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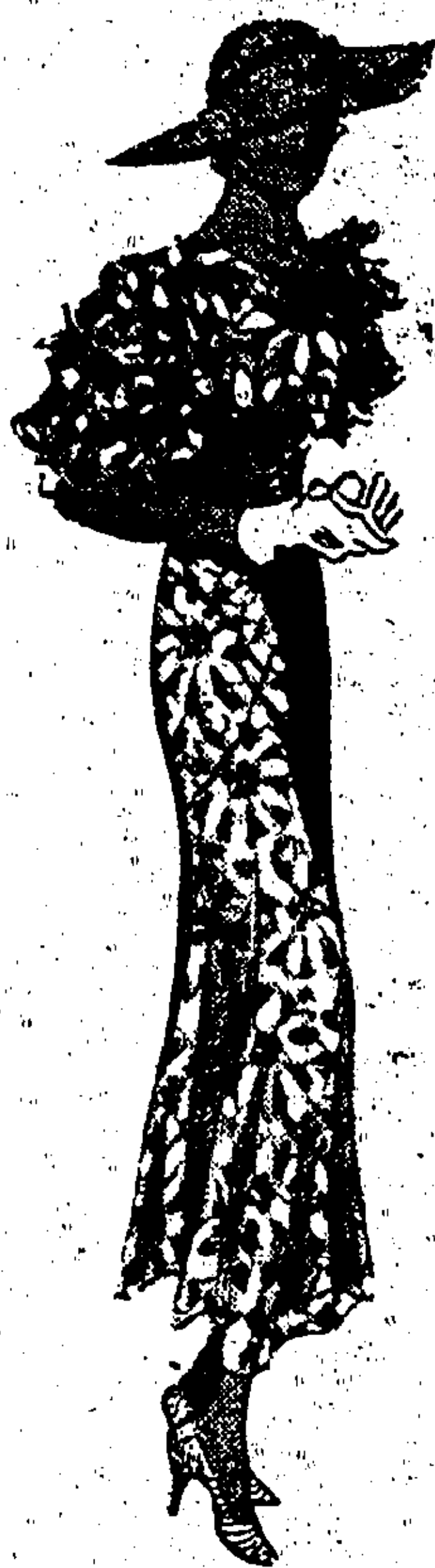
Had the shade of Byron been
among his fellow Old Harrovians,
he might have remembered those lines from
the second canto of his "Don Juan,"
for there were no fewer than
half-a-dozen young women joining
in the interval-like Haidée-stock-
ingless.

Their frocks, while in keeping
with the sartorial standard of the
famous cricket ground, made no
secret of the fact that the wearer's
legs were bare. Nothing of the
kind had been seen there before.

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in blue, with a transparent
cape which fits snugly on the
shoulders and has a deep frill
of doubled organdie—the affect
of the double-material is to in-
tensely the colours and a ribbon
belt of this deeper tone ties in
a loose bow at the waist.

Where Are You Sending Your Sons?

(The Public School Tammany)

By A. G. MACDONELL



house, or old Jones who made that
hundred in the Cock-House match,
or old Robinson who came to the
right.

The ramifications of the union
are colossal. The higher ranks of
the Civil Service, for example, are
practically barred to non-mem-
bers. A taxicab driver, an ex-
policeman, or a clerk may get into
the House of Commons. There is
mighty little chance of their get-
ting into the Foreign Office.

The Army, of course, is check-a-
block with our members, and when
a war starts the rest of us are
automatically eligible for commis-
sions. There is no fuss about
examinations until we are all safe-
ly in and the non-members come
along, and when that happens we
are all promoted or allotted nice
billettes on the staff.

The secret of our capture of
Government departments is simple
but brilliant. It is this. We first
managed to secure that only those
branches of knowledge that are
taught at public schools shall be
of any use for passing the en-
trance examinations into the de-
partments, and then, having cap-
tured the Education Office, we
take very good care that as few
outsiders as possible are taught
anything in those branches.

In short, our trade union is far
more effective than Tammany
Hall at every sort of graft, ex-
cept the financial graft. If you
touch that and are spotted you
must leave the country. The pub-
lic school system can save you
from Dartmoor, but it insists on
you leaving the country.

Standardisation is all the cry
these days, and the public schools
standardise men. It follows that
the standard is low. The speed of
the battery, I learned during the
war, is the speed of the slowest
horse. There is no room for
genius in the system. Napoleon
would have been sacked from any
school. Wellington would not.

If a public school boy goes to
the university he probably be-
comes an M.A.—Master of Arts.
But what arts? At what public
school were poets Yeats and Mac-
field? At what public school were
dramatists Shaw and Barrie? At
what public school were painters
Sculptor Epstein? Painters La-
very and John? Novelists Ben-
nett, Wells, Hardy, Conrad?

What art then remains of which
these elegant young products, one
almost says by products, are po-
tential masters? Surely it must
be the art of cricket.

Public school boys have the
finest of cricket coaching and the
grandest of opportunities, and of
all the nurseries of amateur bat-
ting. Eton is the most famous.
And yet in the last fifty years
only three Etonians have got into
the England side against Aus-
tralia for their batting—Lord Tre-
nson in very exceptional circum-

tances in 1921 and Lord Harris
and Mr. Alfred Lyttelton in 1924.

In what, then, do we public
school men excel, if in anything?
We excel in the art of being a
Conservative back-bencher. That
is our role. It suits us to perfec-
tion.

We are especially happy in the
present Parliament, for with one
or two lamentable exceptions, all
the important offices are held by
our members, and we can take our
orders from men who speak our
own language.

From time to time there is talk
of revolt within the party, of
spliffs, of caves, of disruption, but
we know better. Nothing much
can go wrong with the country so
long as we are there to see that
nothing happens, nothing of any
sort at all.

We were taught at school that
all change is bad, and we were
taught right.
And remember this, Mr. Bald-
win can only be ousted over our
dead bodies, for he was at Har-
row. And remember this also.
Mr. Churchill isn't really serious
in opposing Mr. Baldwin about
India. Because Mr. Churchill was
at Harrow too.

WEDDING CUSTOMS—OLD SHOES

The association of old shoes with
wedding festivities is probably of
mixed origin. The shoe in ancient
times was a symbol of possession
and authority, as the Psalmist had
in mind when he sang of casting
his shoe upon Edom. Its transfer
was also a method of confirming an
exchange, as we read in the Book of
Ruth.

At Anglo-Saxon weddings the
father gave the son-in-law a shoe as
the symbol of the transfer of author-
ity.

A Reminder!
The bridegroom, on his part, gave
the bride a tag on the head with it
and hung it up as a reminder.
At the same time it has been a
very old practice to put a shoe in
the air after anyone setting out on
a venture, wishing them, in some
places at all events, "happy feet,"
possibly an allusion to the ecstatic
feeling of walking on air.

SHORTS ARE IN FAVOUR THIS SEASON

SPORTS CLOTHES.

Tennis dresses are now smart
enough in detail to look as well off
the courts as on. The side slit
skirt, that sometimes shows a con-
trast in an inset pleat, is attrac-
tive and sensible, and the same
applies to a button fitted skirt.
Either can be worn over "shorts"
to match. It is doubtless very con-
venient to discard the skirt for
"shorts" during a strenuous sets
of tennis. The smartly tailored
slim jacket that is such a favourite
for the golf course is also attrac-
tive in linen for tennis and the
river. Also for putting on after
the game are double-breasted wool
coats in bright colours. Linen is
smart this year. White and green,
or white and red are the colour
alliance for tennis and sea. Brown
and beige are pleasing on the golf
course. Shoes are highly specialis-
ed. For tennis and golf there are
models in antelope, canvas or soft
leather. For hot days the antelope
"perforated" shoe and sandals
appear with the cottons and linens,
and pique gloves. The height of
the heel is all-important. The
square low type does not appeal to
all, and there are many grades of
cuban heels which are comfortable
and practical. The best shoes are
not too elaborate. Stitched kid, in
plain or in contrasting colours, is
much worn, but with real sports
clothes neither shoes nor gloves
should be too decorative.

LONDON TO HAVE "GREEN GIRDLE"?

CUTTING THE PROFITEER-
ING ON EXPANSION

Sir Hilton Young, the Minister
of Health, referred to the possi-
bility of providing a "green girdle"
round London.

He emphasised the importance
of acquiring open spaces early, so
as to avoid great expenditure when
values rose through the growth of
satellite towns.

Sir Hilton was dressing the first
meeting of the new Greater London
Regional Planning Committee.
The committee, he said, would
have to consider the problem of the
evolution of the garden city or the
satellite town and the provision of
open spaces on the outskirts of
London.

Why Not in this Growing City?

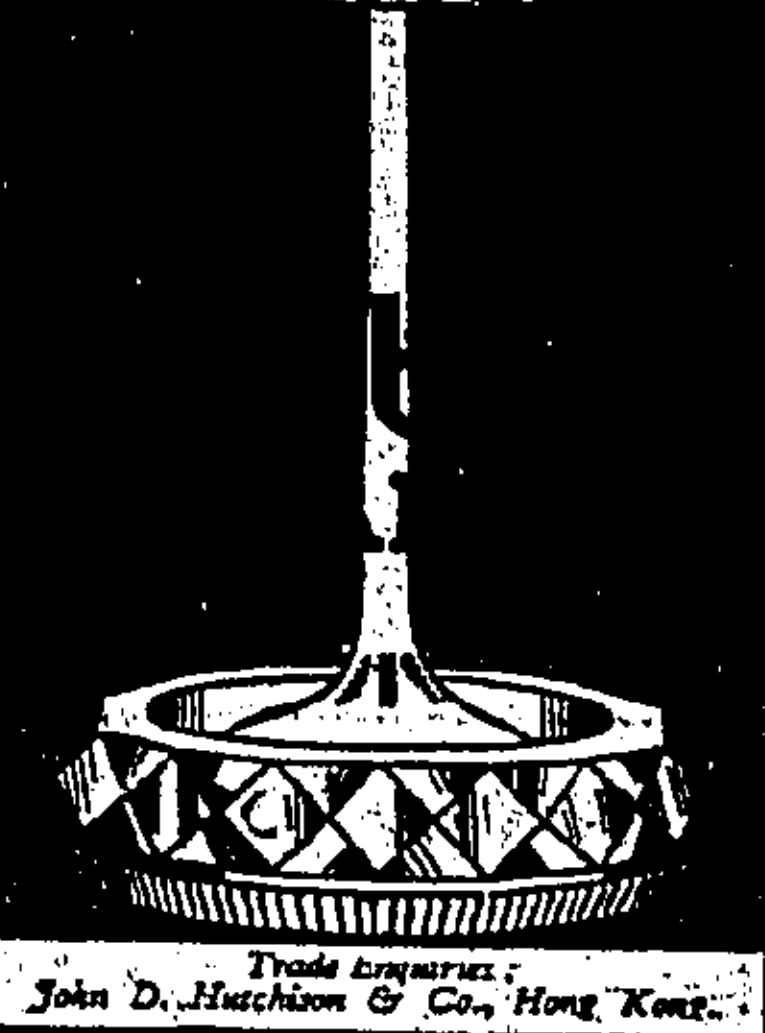
We learn that Landlords who
have land on the New Reclamation
in Wanchai have the same idea,
and are beginning to wonder what
it would not be a wise move
to ask for some trees to be planted
at the wide street corners.

The Chinese (who make up the
population of this new district)
are famous for their love of
flowers and greenery, and will pay
higher rents to live in roads which
are planted with trees.

FASHIONS IN NOTEPAPER

For a long time now the fashion-
able notepaper has nearly all been
made in shades of blue or of De-
votion cream. People, I hear,
are now choosing "taint" apricots
pale green.

**POURS
FREELY TO
THE LAST
GRAIN**



PLATINUM BLONDES OUT OF DATE

THE LATEST FASHION IS FOR
SUGAR CANDY HAIR.

Since "Gay Love" was produced
at the Lyric Theatre many people
have asked what Enid Stamp-
Taylor has been doing to get such
a marvellous effect on her fair
hair.

Apparently it is something of a
secret, but she says that the style
is known as "Sugar Candy Hair,"
and certainly that description fits
it admirably. Her hairdresser
evolved the process which aims at
getting the maximum sheen effect
under the pink and amber lights
used for the sets in "Gay Love."

Platinum blonde is used as a
basis. The hair is then treated
with a special violet wash and
finally sprayed with an oil, the
components of which are known
only to Miss Stamp-Taylor and the
hair-dresser. And there you are!

BLACK SWANS

Those who know the Thames well
are remarking on the increased
number of black swans this sum-
mer on the upper reaches of the
river. The breed was introduced
some years ago from Australia,
and they are, I believe, the property
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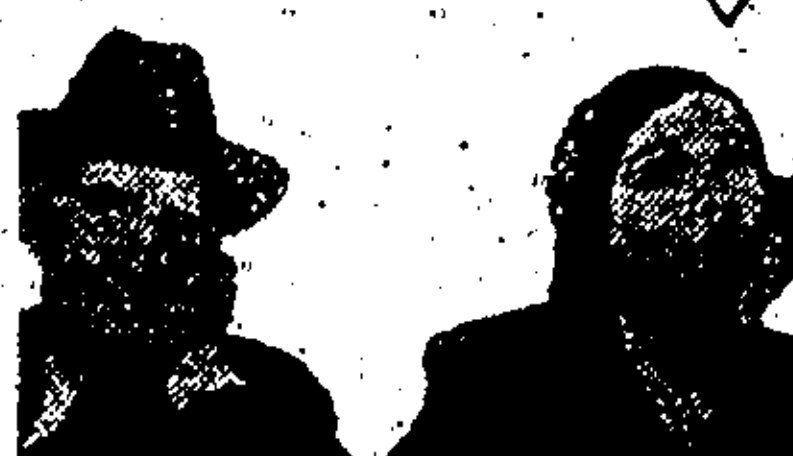
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SLIM SUMMERVILLE and ZASU PITTS IN OUT ALL NIGHT

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and Zasu Pitts are falling—AND HOW!



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Directed by Sam Taylor
Sent by Carl Laemmle

for the first time since the peach
blossom fragrance of "The Student
Prince," in the old days of silent
films.

In "Smilin' Through" she por-
trays two different girls whose ro-
mantic experiences affect the life
of one man at an interval of fifty
years. First, as Moonyeen Olare,
in 1888, she is the betrothed of a
young English aristocrat, played
by Leslie Howard. Later in 1914,
she becomes Kathleen Sheridan,
with Fredric March as her lover.
Sidney Franklin directed this
M-G-M production. Others in the
cast are O. P. Heggie, Ralph For-
bes, Beryl Mercer, David Torrence,
Margaret Seddon and Forester
Harvey.

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

HONG KONG
King's.
"Queen Kelly."
Queen's.
"Cruiser Emden."
Central.
"The Speckled Band."
Oriental.
"Destry Rides Again."
World.
"Hell Below."

KOWLOON
Star.
"Downstairs."
Majestic.
"Flag Lieutenant."

COMING
King's.
"Warrior's Husband."
"Down to Earth."
Queen's.
"Smiling Through."
"To-day We Live."
Central.
"Out all Night."

World.
"Skyscraper Souls."
"Unashamed."
"Washington Masquerade."
Star.
"Strange Interlude."
"Monastery Garden."
"Humanity."

Sydney, Aug. 2.—The Australian
airman, Air commodore Sir Charles
Kingsford-Smith, will travel, to
England as the guest of the Royal
Netherlands Airways in a Fokker
mail plane leaving Batavia on
September 6.
From England, the airman will
go to Holland on a mission con-
nected with aviation.—Reuter.

"QUEEN KELLY"

GLORIA SWANSON SCORES
AGAIN

"Queen Kelly," the current
attraction at the King's Theatre,
tells of a pretty romance between
a Prince and a village maid in an
imaginary Kingdom. The lead-
ing roles are in the capable hands
of Gloria Swanson, so well-known
to local film fans, and that ver-
satile actor, Walter Houston.

Regina V., and Queen of the
little kingdom of Coburg-Nassau,
is violently attracted to Prince
Wolfram, a popular member of
her Court. She is determined to
marry him and draws up a great
programme of celebrations for the
marriage ceremony.

The Prince, however, is in love
with a pretty village maid, whose
beauty and charm have attracted
him. He is opposed by the
queen, but escapes from the
palace just before the ceremony,
to elope with the village beauty.

Gloria Swanson as the pretty
village maid, plays her part to
perfection and is ably supported
by Walter Houston and Seena
Swan.

NORMA SHEARER IN "SMILIN' THROUGH"

WISTFUL ROMANCE FOR
QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Norma Shearer has turned her
back on her screen past. In
"Smilin' Through," her latest
Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer production
which opens on Sunday at the
Queen's Theatre. Miss Shearer has
a role far removed from those
which have taken her along the
hypocrites which lead away from
convention.

Miss Shearer's role in "Smilin'
Through" is frankly tinged with
sentimental romance. It is com-
pletely devoid of that sophisti-
cated which marked her charac-
terizations in "Strangers May
Kiss," "A Free Soul" and
"Strange Interlude."

Tells Poignant Story.

The story abounds in pathos.
Ever since Jane Cowell first pre-
sented it on the New York stage,
it has served as the model by
which sentimentality in drama is
measured. "As sweet and poi-
gnant as 'Smilin' Through' has
come to be a phrase by which cri-
tics point their comparisons.
In thus turning to wistful ro-
mance, Miss Shearer sheds the
"women of the world" character
(Continued on opposite column).

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LAUGHTER ON THE STAGE

A DIFFICULT THING
TO DO!

On the stage those laugh best
who have learnt to laugh the long-
est.

That is a maxim which may not
be always true. Some people,
having neither the physical nor
spiritual equipment for laughter,
could never be taught it if they
tried for years. I have been very
much struck recently, however,
by the number of otherwise capable
young hopefuls who think them-
selves ready to appear in a play
without, quite evidently, having had
any lessons in laughter at all.

Upon them it may be impressed
that laughter on the stage—above
all when a certain amount of
speech goes with it—is as difficult
and highly technical a thing as
singing. It can only be made per-
fect by arduous practice. The neo-
phytes are not alone to blame. I
have heard even admitted profes-
sional actors and actresses, choking
and wheezing, making noises like
the whinnying of a horse, the gulp-
ing of a jazz-band, or the snuffing
of a dog at a burrow, and calling it
laughter.

The right kind of heart-easing
laughter—clear, ringing, musical—
how rare and how magical in its
effect it is! What would have
happened to "Victoria and Her
Hussar" if it had not been for
Oscar Danes and that infectious
laugh of his, which "set the audi-
ence off" on one of the poorest
jokes imaginable?

Nothing could have been more
"spontaneously" lovely than the
laughter of Ellen Terry. She tells
us in her "Memoirs" that it was
the result of a kind of laughter-
drill which she went through as a
child. She was trained to take in
her breath just at the right time,
so as to be able to throw it out
again, boldly and gaily, from the
back of the palate to the back of
the gullet.

Will anyone who heard it ever
forget her laughter and that of
Dame Madge Kendal, chiming to-
gether "like two gipsies on a
horse," in "The Merry Wives of
Windsor"? Or Fred Terry's laugh
as Charles Surface in the Scrooge
Scene of "The School for Scandal"?
Every revival since has seemed
dead without it.

To what extent, I wonder, is
laughter taught in our dramatic
schools? I believe it would be an
enormously popular as well as fruit-
ful thing to arrange, not merely a
solitary ordeal but a laughter-class,
each member of which would have,
under instruction, to make the
others happy with some familiar
laughing scene.

"DOWN TO EARTH"

WITH DOROTHY JORDON
AND WILL ROGERS

Southern girls, for some reason,
are rarities in Hollywood film cir-
cles. Whether this is due to the
numerical superiority of Northern
maidenhood, or whether the Southern
gentleman refuses to allow his femi-
nine compatriot to visit the capital
of screenland, no one seems to know.
But the fact remains that only a
handful of leading ladies hail from
below the Mason Dixon line.

Dorothy Jordan, whose appealing
personality has brought her swiftly
up the ladder of film fame, is one
of the most noted of this handful.
She was born in Clarksville, Ten-
nessee, and received most of her
education in the South. Intending
to become an actress, she went to
New York to study dramatics, and
while there entered musical comedy.

She soon went from chorus to fea-
tured roles, and while appearing
on Broadway in "Treasure Girl"
was signed to a contract by Fox
Film executive and went to Holly-
wood. There she played in "Black
Magic" and "Fox Movietone Fol-
lies," later going to M-G-M. for
a series of films that included "De-
vil May Care," "Singer of Seville,"
"Min and Bill" and "Hell Divers."

Her latest role, for which she re-
turned to Fox, is in "Down to
Earth," Will Rogers, newest laugh-
hit which opens at the King's The-
atre on Wednesday. She appears as
the fiancée of Rogers' son, Matty
Kemp. Irene Rich, Mary Carlisle,
Theodore Lodi and Brandon Hurst
are in the cast of the film, which
David Butler directed.

NEXT CHANGE— COMMENCING TO-MORROW



Upstairs comedy ro-
mances in the land where
women woo and men
repel advances.

THE WARRIOR'S HUSBAND

with
Elissa Landi
Marjorie Rambeau
Ernest Truex
David Manners
From the play by Julian Thompson
Directed by Walter Lang
A Jesse L. Lasky Production
Presented by Fox Film

"DESTRY RIDES AGAIN"

SHOWING AT ORIENTAL
THEATRE

The scenario writers at Universal
City found a great many of their
stories for Tom Mix rejected by
the famous western star. The rea-
son was that Tom Mix had never
taken a drink or smoked tobacco
on the screen. Neither has he
ever gunned a man, except in self-
defense or in prosecution of offi-
cial business—screen business.
"Destry Rides Again" filled all
of the requirements of a Tom Mix
Picture. It will be seen at the
Oriental Theatre to-day and to-
morrow and will portray a new
side of Tom Mix—the talking
part. Tony, however, will con-
fine his forensic efforts to gestures.

CLASSICAL SATIRE IN MODERN IN WAYS

"WARRIOR'S HUSBAND."

Elissa Landi, who has climbed
rapidly up the movie ladder of
fame during the last three years,
is more enthusiastic over her role
in "The Warrior's Husband," her
newest picture, than any part she
has had since she left Broadway
and definitely cast her lot in
Hollywood.
She has the role of "Antiope,"
(Continued on next column)

"CRUISER EMDEN"

STARRING WAR FILM AT
THE QUEEN'S

"Cruiser Emden"—just those
two words but to many they hold
a world of meaning and the mere
mention of them brings back
memories of those dark days of
the War. But even if they do
rake up sad memories, the present
generation must be taught the
history of those dreadful years
and it is no exaggeration to say
that for educational purposes, the
film bearing that title and which
opened its run at the Queen's
Theatre yesterday is one which is
worth seeing, nay, it is a film
which should not be missed.

The film may be described as a
story of a chivalrous foe and a gal-
lant gentleman and is full of ac-
tion from the start. We have all
read about the way the Emden
met her "Waterloo" in H.M.S.
Sydney. That has been described
as one of the greatest naval
engagements of the Great War,
but to fully appreciate it, one
must see the picture.

A very pleasant time may be
spent at the Queen's Theatre for
apart from the feature film, there
is a very interesting featurette
entitled "Clever Animals."

which Katharine Hepburn had
when the play was enjoying its
successful run in New York and
on the road.

It is described as a "female
Doug Fairbanks" type of part,
and Miss Landi, whom many peo-
ple regard as the epitome of re-
serve and dignity, has the time
of her life romping about in the
role of an Amazon Army general
who could whip any man in a fair
fight and drink any man under
the table.

"I think 'The Warrior's Hus-
band' is a delicious satire on
modern civilization," she says.
"It butresses the masculine type
of woman, so prevalent nowadays,
and pokes subtle fun at females
who aspire to wear the family
trousers."

Admitting that everything from
the depression to little Johnny's
measles have been blamed on the
war, Miss Landi ascribed the de-
cided change in feminine tempera-
ment in recent years to the same
cause.

"What many recognized as a new
freedom for women—they were re-
cognized as men's equals during
the world conflict," she says—"has
become license in our generation."

"All this parading the streets
in men's clothes and attempting to
usurp man's place in the business
world is just a manifestation.
Women have become pursuers in-
stead of the pursued."

"I think 'The Warrior's Hus-
band' will do a lot toward showing
a lot of women just how ridiculous
it is to try to be something nature
never intended them to be. It is
good fun, but it also has a strong
basis of fact and truth."

Miss Landi is co-starred in this
Jesse L. Lasky, for Fox Film with
Ernest Truex, while Marjorie
Rambeau, Helen Ware, David
Manners, Maude Eburne, Helene
Madison and Lionel Belmore are
playing strong supporting roles.
Walter Lang is the director of the
production, which comes to the
King's Theatre on Saturday.

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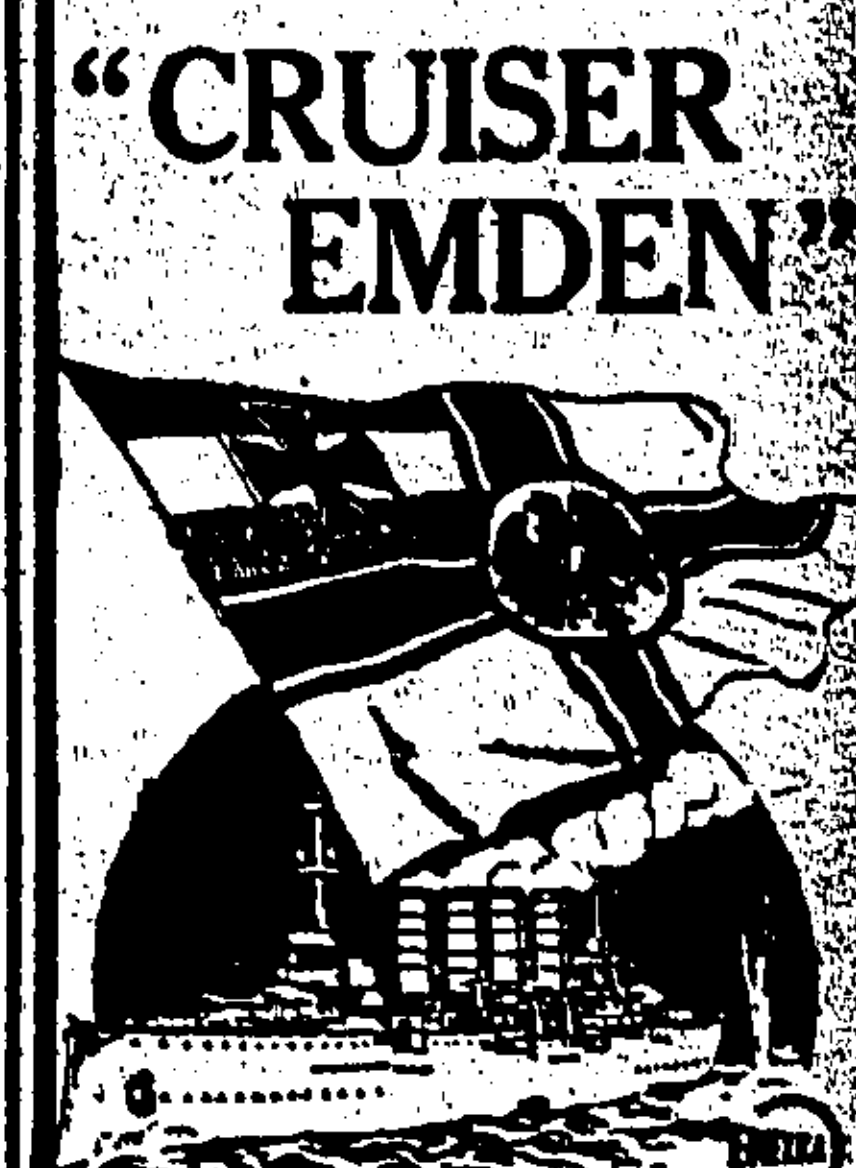
"The Flag Lieutenant"

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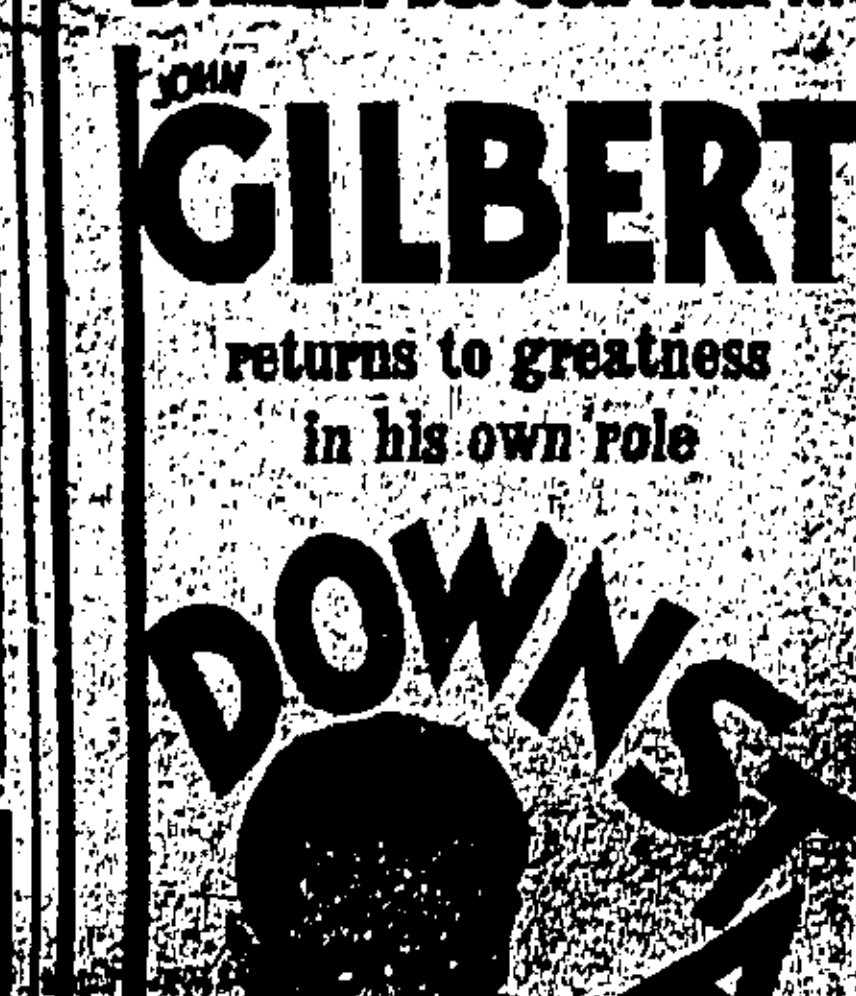
Smilin' Through

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ECHOES OF 1858

40.—Local Authorities Object to Criticisms

Our readers cannot fail to observe our utter silence upon Colonial affairs for some weeks past, and in justice to ourselves, test it should be thought we have been guilty of apostasy, we deem it incumbent to relate the precise facts which have caused us to eschew local politics, not from choice, but compulsion.

It may be remembered that we allowed our zeal to outstrip our discretion in making remarks upon the military conduct of affairs at Canton. No objection was taken for nearly two weeks, when the Commander-in-Chief brought the matter to the notice of the Governor. H.E. at once issued orders that we should be imprisoned amongst the Convicts and the rules of the Jail strictly enforced. These instructions were so unpalatable to Mr. Inglis the governor of the jail, that he went up to the Government offices and upon offering to become personally responsible for anything we might write, succeeded in placing the order in abeyance. Whereupon, we, having no alternative than to pledge him our honour that we would refrain from discussing Colonial matters, placed a most effectual gag in our lips, or more properly speaking, on our pen. Upon Mr. Inglis' removal to his new duties, this pledge was repeated in the presence of the acting Colonial Secretary.

We do not think our readers have suffered much, if at all from this movement. Our contemporaries have nauseated the community with local matters. On the other hand, it left us free to watch the Earl of Elgin's policy, our strictures on which have afforded harm to our feelings, and should we have failed to edify our readers, they must attribute it to obliquity of perception and not to infirmity of purpose.

1858 ADVERTISEMENTS.

The following items are taken from our advertisement columns:—

ADVERTISING IN THE EMPIRE

Need For Varied Methods

SIR W. CRAWFORD ON ADAPTABILITY

A point that will be especially brought home at the Advertising Exhibition to be held at Olympia from July 17-22 is the necessity for adaptability in advertising, writes Sir William Crawford, K.B.E. This message will be particularly emphasised in the Empire section of the exhibition.

It is quite obvious that advertising that may be admirable in parts of this country may, at the same time, be quite unsuited to the remoter districts of the Empire, and it is this increasing decentralisation of advertising that the Empire exhibitors there are to stress.

The point is a very obvious one. It is a truism, but like so many truisms, it is still far too little realised. There have been many cases of products which have been highly successfully advertised in this country by a particular advertising campaign. Their manufacturers have then decided to recommend the same products to the Empire—and they have sought to do so by means of exactly the same advertising.

Dire Results.

The result, of course, in many cases, has been disastrous. An advertisement that appeals, say, in Rutland, may quite fail to attract in Teesdale, and this is a truth that cannot be too thoroughly hammered home. At the Advertising Exhibition they are out to hammer it home.

"Adaptability" is the motto of the Empire advertisers there, and they are taking every means of showing just how adaptable they can be.

The whole Empire is represented, not only through its Governments, but through its newspapers as well, and actually more than a hundred Imperial newspapers have taken space. The exhibits will embrace every side of advertising, but in every case, the message will be the need for reciprocal trading and the fact that this can only be achieved by intensive advertising, and by adaptable advertising at that.

At the Advertising Convention, held this year in connection with the exhibition, which begins on July 18, the same message will be emphasised, and there will be full

and frank discussions on the best means of achieving the common end.

It must be remembered that the art of advertisement in, say, an enormous and sparsely populated country such as Australia, is very different from that of appealing to a closely packed public such as there is in this country. To achieve results in Australia, the advertiser depends largely on the Press. Posters cannot reach a great percentage of the population, nor can advertising by means of direct mail.

Purchasing Power.

At the same time, the purchasing power per head is probably three times as great as in this country. Here, there is a public that is easy to reach, but has little to spend. There, there is a public that has more money, but is much more difficult to reach. These factors produce some interesting problems, and a visit to the exhibition will show how they have been surmounted.

At the same time, of course, the broad principles of advertising remain the same all over the world. We are all brothers under the skin, especially when it comes to spending our money. Throughout the Empire, as in this country it is quite useless to attempt to advertise an inferior article. It may sell once, but never twice, and it is a commonplace of business that profits are made, not on the first purchase, but on repeat orders.

Given an article of high quality, advertising can go triumphantly ahead, and it can be just as triumphant in the backwoods of Australia as in Piccadilly. Different methods must be used, but the results will be the same, and the results will be brought about on the same broad general principle—that an advertised article must be a good one just because it is advertised.

Form of Insurance.

The very fact that it is advertised proves that it is a high quality product in the first place, and the fact that it continues to be advertised proves that that quality is being maintained. Advertising is a form of insurance. So long as a particular product is being advertised to the public, it cannot possibly be allowed to deteriorate. That fact is as essential to Empire advertising as it is to advertising here. It is a fact that is generally realised among advertisers themselves, and that will be brought home to the general public at the Advertising Exhibition.

BRIGHTER KUALA LUMPUR

\$50,000 Carnival Club

SWIMMING, DANCING AND GAMES FOR ALL

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug. 2.
It is understood that the Selangor Government has refused a request made by the Selangor Golf Club for sanction to build a swimming pool in its grounds.

The club committee recently got together the data required to put a concrete scheme before the general body of members.

The club's lease, however, provides that the land shall be used only for golf, and it was therefore necessary as a preliminary measure to approach the Government and find out whether this clause would be waived in respect of a swimming pool, as it already has been in respect of tennis courts.

The committee accordingly wrote to the British Resident and it is believed that the Hon. Mr. T. S. Adams has returned a negative reply.

While the chances of the Selangor Golf Club constructing a swimming pool are believed to be remote, owing to the appearance of an unexpected difficulty, a syndicate has prepared a similar scheme and obtained a site opposite the club in Circular Road.

The swimming pool, which will be 100 by 80 feet, will be of white tiles and fully equipped with the latest modern sanitary appliances. It will be 10 ft. deep, with a gradient of 4 ft. to 8 ft.

Facing the pool will be the dressing rooms, all equipped with hot and cold water pipes. An open terrace, 160 by 10 ft. above these rooms, will provide facilities for sun bathing.

The whole of this swimming pool section will be separated from the restaurant which will cater for all sections of the community and will overlook four tennis courts and as many badminton courts.

There will also be a tea garden. The dance floor which will be 80 ft. by 80 ft. will have a little distance away. It will have a stage for cabaret performances.

It is the intention of the syndicate to develop the remaining two acres for a gymnasium, a stadium for indoor games and a skating rink. There will be an instructor, attendants, and an orchestra will play in the evenings for dancing, and on moonlit nights.

The entire scheme is estimated to cost \$50,000.

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Dorabjee Nowrojee begs to inform the Public that he has established a Baking, Pastry, and Confectionary Business at Wo Hang New Street in Queen's Road, opposite Messrs. P. and D. N. Camajee & Co. (to commence from the 1st of June next), and hopes from his long experience, to merit the Patronage of the Community.

(Note:—Dorabjee's Bakery, as far as we know was still in business a few years back. It was situated in Tin Lok Lane before the buildings in that area were pulled down and reconstructed.—Ed.)

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MONEY-LENDER'S CLAIM FOR DAMAGES

PLAINTIFF'S WITNESS SEVERELY CROSS-EXAMINED BY MR. F. C. JENKIN

ANXIETY OF MONEYLENDERS' ASSOCIATION DISCLOSED

That the Money-lenders' Association was keenly interested in the departure of Hazara Singh from the Colony in November last was suggested by Mr. Jenkin, K.C., to Bhag Singh, a witness called for the plaintiff in the case in which Hazara Singh is claiming from one Sawan over \$30,000 representing damages and other items in connection with his arrest and subsequent detention in custody.

Plaintiff's witness admitted that six days after Hazara Singh had left the Colony, the Indian Money-lenders' Association called a special meeting at which several resolutions were passed.

It was also suggested by Mr. Jenkin that the proceedings against Hazara Singh were really by the Association and that Sawan's name was used merely because the promissory note made by the plaintiff to the *bisi* from which he last drew a pool was in Sawan's name.

PRIVATE WIRES TO AND FROM SHANGHAI

The case was heard before the Acting-Chief Justice, (Mr. J. R. Wood) & a jury.

Mr. Duncan MacNeill, & Mr. Leo D'Almada, jnr., instructed by Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios, appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, K.C., instructed by Messrs. Lo and Lo for the defence.

Continuing his cross-examination of the plaintiff when the case resumed, Mr. Jenkin asked: Did you have a number of Summary Court claims against borrowers pending when you went away?—I don't remember. I made up my mind suddenly to go to Amoy to collect my debts.

Witness corrected his statement afterwards by saying there was one case pending.

Mr. Jenkin: Did you leave anybody to look after your interest in that matter?—I would have done so, but I forgot about it.

And as a result of that forgetfulness your claim was struck out?—I suppose so.

Mr. Jenkin then asked witness about the money he owed when he left Hongkong, mentioning several names including that of the Kowloon Indian Money-lenders' Association.

Answering further questions witness said he did not speak with Latif Khan who had gone up to Shanghai to identify him, on the question of plaintiff's departure from Hongkong.

Re-examined by Mr. D'Almada, witness said that the reason why he had not paid any further subscriptions to the *bisi* since November was because since that time no subscription had been paid by anyone.

Mr. D'Almada: Why is that? Witness: The *bisi* have stopped.

The next witness called was Bhag Singh who said he had known the plaintiff for fifteen years. Witness said he had been a member of the *bisi* for fifteen years and proceeded to give evidence of what happened at the drawing on November 10.

Mr. D'Almada: When did you know that the defendant was not in Hongkong?—November 15.

At that time, of how many *bisi* were you a member? About 25 or 26.

What is your opinion of Hazara Singh's standing?—Good.

His Lordship: His financial standing?—That was also good.

Mr. D'Almada: Do you consider him a first, second or third class money lender?—Second.

You know that Police Court proceedings were taken against Hazara Singh last December?—Yes, sir.

Did you have anything to do with it? I helped to bail him out.

It was stated in the Police Court that you were in company with Sawan when he held this information?—No sir.

Did you ever go in company of Sawan to see anyone in regard to this case?—No.

Were you ever asked by Sawan to join in any discussion in connection with this case?—Yes.

When was that?—In December last year, after Hazara Singh had returned from Shanghai. The conversation took place at the Saifee Store and there were several persons present and we discussed the advisability of withdrawing the police court proceedings against plaintiff as we stood to gain nothing if he was convicted. It was defendant who spoke about that and he said that he wanted to see his solicitor.

Did any other person present have anything to do with the matter?—We were all of the opinion that he should be set free.

Bisi Custom.

Mr. Jenkin (cross-examining) asked if it was not a fact that whenever a member of a *bisi* drew his share, he was made to sign a promissory note in favour of one of the members of the *bisi* who had not drawn his share?—Witness agreed.

Can the holder of an undrawn share have more than one promissory note in his name?—Yes, there might be five or six promissory notes made in one person's name.

The underlying principal is that the undrawn member who is entitled at some time or other to draw the pool, will be secured by the promissory note?—Yes.

And the making of a promissory note in favour of a member, although the money belongs to the association, is in order that the person named in the promissory note may sue for the value of the note in the event of default?—Yes.

In regard to the plaintiff's last drawing for which the promissory note was made out in favour of Sawan. Do you agree with me that the proper way to regard that note was to look at it as if the money was owing to Sawan?—Yes.

The address on the promissory note was that of Sawan and not of the Association?—Yes.

Answering another question, witness said he was certain that the plaintiff's departure from Hong Kong was temporary and *bona fide*.

Mr. Jenkin: You are a member and an original subscriber of the Hong Kong Money-lenders' Association?—Yes.

Six days after the plaintiff left the Colony, there was a general special meeting at which you were present?—Yes.

And certain resolutions were then passed?—Some discussion took place.

And certain decisions were arrived at?—There might have been.

You attended a meeting on November 26 when these minutes were read and signed?—Yes.

Absconded.

At that meeting, I put it to you that it was unanimously decided that Hazara Singh had run away from the Colony owing large sums of money, intending to defraud the lot of you?—It was passed but I did not vote in favour of it.

It was unanimously passed that the transfer of the notes to Ganga Singh was fraudulent?—Yes.

And here is another interesting thing. Most of you men had been at one time or another guarantors of Hazara Singh on his promissory notes to these *bisi*?—Yes.

And so satisfied were all of you that this man had absconded and defrauded you all that it was unanimously passed that all the guarantors should be released from their guarantee or should be given six months before being called upon to do anything?—Yes.

The institution of proceedings against the plaintiff was not by Sawan but by the Money Lenders' Association and his name was used because it happened that the last promissory note signed by the

(Continued on next column)

ROBBING WITH VIOLENCE

CHINESE MERCHANT ATTACKED IN HIS OFFICE

Charges of robbing with violence were preferred against Tsang Wai, alias Chan On, alias Tsang On, at Central Magistracy yesterday. Mr. Schofield taking the case. Detective-Inspector O'Donovan prosecuted, and, outlining the case, he said that the complainant, Chan Cheung Chuen was the managing partner of the Wa Fung Tai rice firm of 81, Connaught Road West. In addition to carrying on a rice business, the complainant was also the remittance agent for the Kwong Fung Tai estate bank in Taishan. The defendant was a native of Taishan, and on two or three occasions, he had had money remitted to the country through the Kwong Fung Tai.

Inspector O'Donovan went on to say that on April 8, the defendant, in the company of another man, went to the shop and produced a remittance order for \$10 and asked for payment. The complainant took the man upstairs, and on finding the order to be correct, he was about to open the safe to get the money when he was attacked from behind and thrown to the ground. He was then nearly strangled, with a towel, while two handkerchiefs were put into his mouth. The complainant then lost consciousness and when he came round, he found that the two men had gone.

"Complainant struggled to the bell and summoned his foks," said the officer, "and when an examination was made of the safe, it was found that \$325 in Hong Kong currency had been stolen."

Inspector O'Donovan went on to say that the robbers made good their escape and nothing happened till July 25, when the defendant was arrested in Yaumatei, upon information received.

After evidence had been taken, the case was adjourned till this afternoon.

plaintiff was in Sawan's favour?—I don't know anything about that. Let's see. On November 15, when you heard that the plaintiff had gone away you went to his place at 7 On Lan Lane and you met certain people there?—Yes.

I put it to you that on that date \$300 was subscribed and that you put up \$30 of it?—No sir.

And that money was for the purpose of instructing a solicitor, who happened in this case to be Messrs. Russ and Co., to advise on the matter of the plaintiff leaving the Colony?—No.

The defendant, Sawan, was not present at 7 On Lan Street?—No.

I put it to you that you went up to the Magistracy when the information was sworn?—I did not go at all.

Sawan's Name Used.

I put it to you that your Money Lenders knew that these proceedings were on your behalf and that you used Sawan's name was because the last promissory note signed by the absconding man was signed in his favour?—I did not know anything about that when the information was sworn.

Did you send any telegram to Shanghai in connection with this matter before Hazara came back?—I did not send any telegram, but Kikahoy asked me if I knew anybody in Shanghai.

And you gave him the name of an Indian officer in the Shanghai Police?—Yes.

You don't know what happened after you gave him that information?—Yes, I learned that he telegraphed Shanghai and received a reply.

These cables were for the purpose of ascertaining whether Hazara Singh had been arrested in Shanghai?—I don't know, I was told that he had been arrested and that Hazara Singh had not been seen at Shanghai.

I put it to you that your pretended belief in this man is all rubbish and that you were most active in finding out his whereabouts?—No sir.

I put it to you on November 22, you wired up to this Police Officer and asked if the plaintiff had been arrested or not?—No, I did not wire at all, I was asked for the address; that was all.

Did you not ask why the address was wanted?—I did.

Mr. Jenkin at this stage handed a telegram up to His Lordship, who, after reading it handed it to the witness and asked: Did you receive this reply?

Witness: The telegram might have been addressed to me but I did not receive it as it was delivered at the Saifee Store.

On November 22, you heard that the plaintiff had been arrested and was leaving by the President Jefferson?—Yes.

You heard that by cable from Latif Khan who had gone up to identify the man?—Yes.

Mr. D'Almada briefly re-examined the witness after which the case was adjourned until Monday.

The Government's Big Development Scheme

Governor's Residence: City Hall And Government Offices

PROJECT THAT SHOULD PAY ITS OWN WAY

Extensive schemes for the development of Government land in the centre of the City have been approved by the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and while final details have yet to be settled preliminary work is likely to start within a year.

Financially it is hoped to make the scheme self supporting and a distinct item in the Colony's finances.

The scheme involves among other things:

1. The building of a new Government House.
2. New Government Buildings, roughly on the present site, with Council Chamber.
3. A new City Hall, centrally situated.
4. The opening up of new sites for residential and office purposes.

Government House

Two sites have been suggested. 1. In Magazine Gap Road on the site occupied by the old naval sanatorium. With the building of a new road this site would be, by motor, about twelve minutes drive from Queen's Pier. The position is high enough to be cool in summer and residents in the neighbourhood deny that there is any special trouble with mosquitoes and, in fact, have "no complaints."

As a second site, the Botanic Gardens has been suggested. A view held in not a few quarters is that this residence should be in addition to that at Magazine Gap. The idea of using this site at all will cause some surprise as these pretty and well-kept gardens are a popular resort both for European children and the Chinese population in the neighbourhood. Some years ago part of these grounds were suggested for a British School, but Government circles were averse to taking any section of the gardens from the public and the project was dropped without being opened to public discussion. It would be interesting to know what value people to-day place on the Botanic Gardens.

It may be asked, "What is wrong with the present Government House, which is to be pulled down, and particularly with its charming and 'old world' grounds?"

The answers are as follow:—

- 1.—It is old, and the repairs bill is extremely high.
- 2.—The accommodation, especially the bedroom accommodation, is most inadequate.
- 3.—The site is noisy and likely to be increasingly so.
- 4.—It necessitates a second summer residence—Mountain Lodge—an inaccessible and inconvenient house, also in by no means a good state of repair.
- 5.—The scheme for a new and adequate block of Government offices involves encroaching very considerably on Government House grounds.
- 6.—The site is a valuable one, and what is not used for Government purposes would fetch a large purchase price.

SOLICITORS AND COSTS

LORD CHIEF JUSTICE'S WARNING

London.—The Lord Chief Justice (Lord Hewart) made the following statement in the King's Bench Division.

"The Rules of the Supreme Court require that, in all actions for damages brought on behalf of an infant or person of unsound mind, the costs of the plaintiff both as between party and party and as between solicitor and client, shall be taxed and certified by the Taxing Master, and no costs other than those so certified are payable to the solicitor for the plaintiff."

"These provisions apply equally whether damages are recovered by a verdict and judgment after trial or by an Order staying proceedings upon the terms of a settlement out of Court."

"In either case there is a direction by the Court that the costs of the plaintiff, both as between party and party and as between solicitor and client, are to be taxed, and it is the duty of the solicitors on both sides to see that the direction is complied with."

"The Rules and the direction are made for the protection of infants and persons of unsound mind, and are imperative."

"It is important that it should be known that if they are deliberately disobeyed, the solicitors responsible are liable to be dealt with for contempt of Court."

STRANGE FUNERAL CUSTOMS

SURVIVALS OF ANCIENT SUPERSTITION

The origins of certain funeral customs were recalled by Mr. A. Mounfield, in an address to a conference of the National Association of Cemetery and Crematorium Superintendents and the Federation of Cremation Authorities, which met in London.

Explaining why people return from funerals by a different way from that of the first journey, he said that this was done "to outwit ghosts."

In some Chinese village a cortege still went three times round the village cross to confuse the spirit. The darkening of rooms, the repetition of a three-fold formula at the graveside, the covering over of mirrors and bright objects, were all survivals of ancient superstitions, Mr. Mounfield declared.

"In Britain," he continued, "some of our funeral habits have been very much in the nature of a disguise. I remember my grandfather going to a funeral with a hat band that went five times round his hat and hung down to his waist."

"The notion 'to death is fair, and nowhere' disguises themselves in order that the spirit should not recognise them," he said. Mr. G. F. McDonald, of Birmingham, in advocating cremation, said, "It will soon be paganism to put men in boxes and bury them in the earth."



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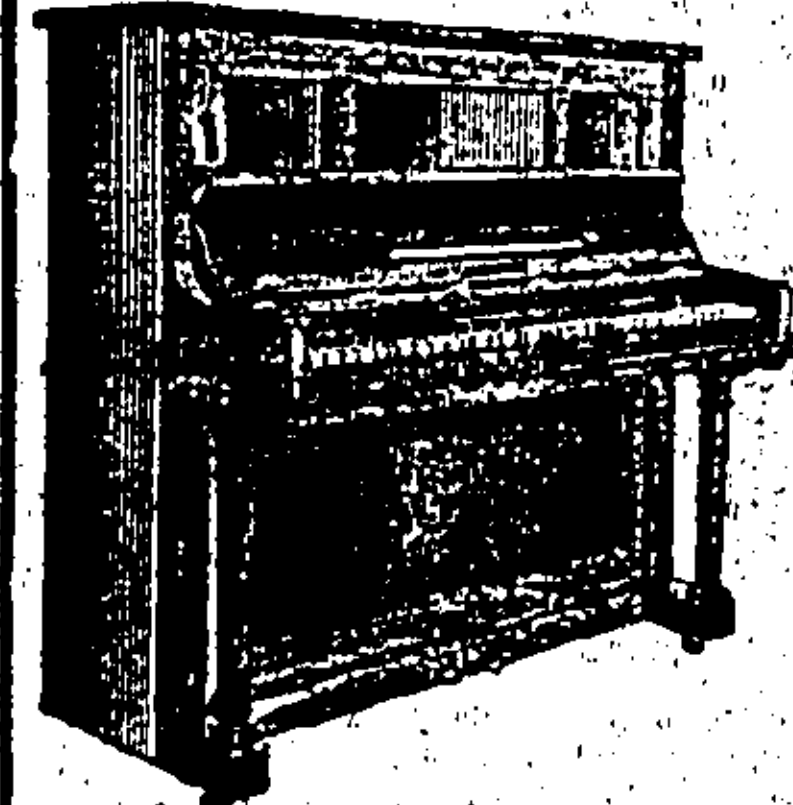
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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G. T. WALDEGRAVE,
Chaplain. [1070]

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NOTICE OF DECLARATION OF SECOND INTERIM DIVIDEND.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Second Interim Dividend of Six Pence per share on account of the financial year ending 31st March, 1934 has been declared by the Directors of the Company in Br'shane payable to Shareholders on the 14th September, 1933, at Brisbane and Singapore on Thursday, 14th September, 1933.

Notice is also hereby given that the Singapore Transfer Registers will be closed from Friday, 8th September to Thursday, 14th September, 1933 (both days inclusive), for the preparation of Dividend Warrants.

By Order of the Board,
DERRICK & CO.,
Chartered Accountants,
Local Secretaries

Hongkong Bank Chambers,
SINGAPORE, 3rd August, 1933. [1067]

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS,
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AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of 50 cents per Share has been declared payable on WEDNESDAY, 23rd AUGUST next, on and after which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained upon application at the Registered Office of the Company, Canal Road, East, Bowington, Hong Kong.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be closed from WEDNESDAY, 9th to TUESDAY, 22nd AUGUST, 1933, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 1st August, 1933. [1054]

G. R.
PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on MONDAY, the 14th DAY OF AUGUST, 1933, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Sai Ying Pui, Kowloon City, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 21 years less the last three days thereof.

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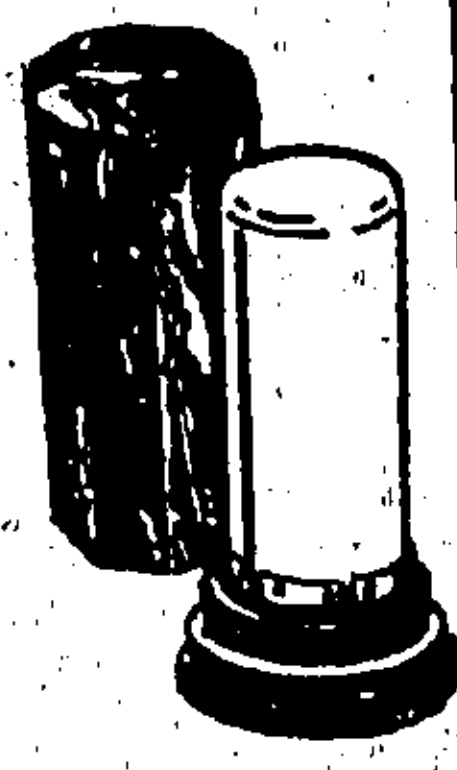
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The Daily Press

HONG KONG, AUGUST 11, 1933.

STANDARD OF LIVING.

A London newspaper, noted for its outspoken views, recently expressed the opinion that if Western nations were to compete successfully in world markets with Eastern nations they would have to adopt something approaching to Eastern standards of life. The appropriate people were appropriately shocked, for the phrase "standard of life," is something sacrosanct, not to be "lowered," and hundreds of politicians have made an excellent living in waging a verbal battle in its defence, in Parliament, at hundreds of conferences and on thousands of platforms.

But "the standard of life," like "economic conditions," moves in all directions, being borne on the stream of human affairs, in which politicians have a lesser place than they like to imagine. Much has said about the high standard of living in England to-day. Once upon a time glass was only for palace windows and linen for royal personages. Silk was unknown, tobacco and potatoes were the monopoly of Red Indians, fresh meat was unobtainable in winter. As to the services of professional men, dentistry did not exist, and we all know the reputation of nurses, doctors and lawyers in the times of our forefathers. "The great transport services, wireless, electricity and labour-saving devices have all tended to improve conditions in both rural and urban areas. In the country, it is true, veterans speak of the days when life was quieter, work more certain, when food was honest home-made stuff and not potted, and tinned, and filled with chemicals; when men and women knew how to get together and enjoy themselves. All the time the standard of life is changing, the small ways there and there, and occasionally by big revolutions.

tions such as the coming of railways, motors, and now, in many places, cheap supplies of electricity for lighting, cooking, heating and power in big and small workshops.

In England to-day a much simpler form of life is evolving. All but a few of the great country and town houses have either become schools or institutions or have been demolished. They are passing as the fortified castle passed when strong central government and good order were established some four centuries ago. Then the army of retainers was reduced to a small body of personal servants, and now bad conditions of domestic service, and the increased opportunities in business and industry have created in Britain the servant problem. This has been met by the labour saving house, the service flat and the adoption of simpler meals. How long will it be before the West learns something of Eastern cooking; of the use of rice, not for unpalatable rice puddings, but for the mixtures of rice, meat and vegetables, a meal in themselves, which are growing in popularity in this Colony? Useless ornaments have also lost popularity, the antimacassar and china dog trades are dead, much less silver and other metal ware, that needs cleaning, is in evidence. Carved furniture that collects dust is taboo. Bright coloured cushions, curtains and carpets have to counteract undue severity. Clothing shows the same tendency towards simplicity. Women have long abandoned the queer elaborations, with steel and bone frameworks, worn in the past. Buttons are reduced to a minimum, and the rule for clothes is "a short life and a new outfit each season." Men's apparel changes less quickly but the morning coat is going the way of the frock coat. Stiff neckwear holds its own, but pullovers and soft collars are following logical lines of development.

In many ways, therefore, England is tending towards the simplicity of the East. There is a tradition of "oriental luxury" and "the gorgeous East." Contact with the East puts the thing in better perspective—beauty, yes, in furniture, in pottery and pictures; but not the spate of them that characterised a British home in Victorian days. Then the main pleasures of life were heavy meals and much drinking. Athletics were unheard of, except a little racing and prize-fighting and cock fighting. But yet, (Continued at foot of next column)

OBITUARY

MR. JACKY HUNG

The funeral of the late Mr. "Jacky" Hung who passed away in the French Hospital yesterday, at the early age of 33 years, took place at the Chinese Cemetery, Pokfulam, yesterday, and the high esteem in which he was held by those who knew him was emphasised by the large number of people present to pay their last respect.

"Jacky" was the son of Mr. Hung Bing Fat, a well-known and respected resident. He had been ill with typhoid for some time and it was generally expected that he would pull through, so much so that the sad news of his demise came as a shock even to those who knew him closely.

He was a very popular young man, well-liked by his seniors in the office (Messrs. Gilman & Co.) where he was employed, and among those who attended the funeral yesterday was Mr. C. Blaker, a director of the firm.

Cricket was "Jacky's" favourite and last year he was a member of the victorious Craigieover Cricket Club team which won the second division of the cricket league. As a mark of respect, the Club's flag flew at half-mast yesterday.

Among those attending the funeral were: Mr. Hung Bing Fat (father); Herbert, Harold, Willie, "Duckie" and Archie (brothers); and Walter (cousin), Messrs. M. W. Lo, L. G. Goldman, N. A. E. Mackay, Robert Choo, Leo Choo, W. A. Zimmern, F. V. Wong, C. E. Wong, E. F. Fincher, J. P. T. R. Nazarin, E. A. Lee, E. Ruzack, J. Willis, H. Gittins, A. H. Roberts, She Yu Man, J. Litton, Ho Ki, Albert Leung, C. G. Anderson, S. M. Churn, Ho Leung, Mr. and Mrs. Gillard, Miss Violet Shea, Dr. J. W. Kew and many others.

MR. ALEX COTTRILL

Famous Amateur Jockey

London, Aug. 10.

Alex Cottrill the amateur jockey, aged 23, died after an operation for injuries sustained due to his mount which was subsequently destroyed after falling at the Lewes Races on Saturday owing to the saddle slipping.

The late A. Cottrill was a son of a Lambourn trainer and was the most brilliant amateur jockey in the last twenty years. He rode for His Majesty the King. — *Reuter.*

APPROVED BRIDES OF MINISTERS

WESLEYAN PLAN REJECTED

An unusual recommendation, concerning the fiancées of candidates for the Ministry was made at the first conference of the Methodist Church at the Central Hall, Westminster, by Dr. J. H. Ritten, general secretary of the Ministerial Training Committee.

Dr. Ritten said that the committee desired to make the following addendum: "If any candidate has entered into a matrimonial engagement, the superintendent (of the circuit) shall furnish a written statement as to the suitability of his fiancée."

Following the outburst of surprise which the recommendation called forth, Dr. Ritten observed: "Some delegate called out, 'No. It sounded as if he would be afraid to do this.'"

A Delegate—Does "suitability" mean suitable as a minister's wife or suitable to be married to the candidate?

Dr. Ritten—Suitable as a minister's wife.
Dr. Dinsdale T. Young—I did not gather who was to be the judge of the suitability.

Some of the delegates continued to be excited and amused at the proposal, and the President (the Rev. Luke Wiseman) observed sharply, "It is not a matter to be lightly treated. The committee has made a serious proposition, and I hope the conference will treat it seriously. If you do not like it you will have an opportunity of expressing your dislike, but take the ordinary way of doing it."

The proposal, on a show of hands, was defeated and declared to be "not approved."

The Bishop of London. Earlier in the session, the Conference ordered that a message of sympathy in his illness, coupled with the hope for speedy recovery, be sent to the Bishop of London. The Rev. T. Dinsdale Young said that the Bishop had always been extremely friendly and was present at a preceding Conference.

AMERICA'S BIGGEST OUTLET

IMMENSE WEALTH OF CARIBBEAN AREA

DEVELOPMENT SINCE PANAMA CANAL OPENED

Washington, July 8.—Nationalism for the United States does not mean America's withdrawal from the Caribbean area. Dr. Samuel Guy Inman of Columbia University told members of the Second Annual Seminar-Conference on Hispano-American Affairs at George Washington University.

Why the United States would not withdraw from this area comprising some 1,225,700 square miles, 28 countries and colonies, and a population of more than 27,000,000 Dr. Inman explained as due to an American capital investment of more than \$2,000,000,000 and a geographic position making this section a national barrier against foreign invasion of American soil.

Commerce of these lands bordering upon the Caribbean has grown tremendously during the last 20 years. The exploitation of bananas, petroleum, sugar and coffee followed the opening of the Panama Canal. In this section of the Western Hemisphere is one of the most rapidly expanding markets as well as one of the greatest sources for food in the world.

Huge Investment Involved.

America's ever-increasing investments in the Caribbean area, Dr. Inman illustrated by figures showing that between 1913 and 1928 they increased, in Colombia, from \$2,000,000 to \$200,000,000; in Venezuela from \$3,000,000 to \$181,000,000; in Panama from \$5,000,000 to \$36,000,000; in Costa Rica from \$7,000,000 to \$35,000,000; and in the Dominican Republic from \$7,500,000 to \$24,000,000.

The islands of the Caribbean have always been important because of their strategic position in reference to other lands; Dr. Inman said. They have always been desired by larger countries as a part of a programme for working out national influence and defense. All this had its effect upon the United States, and, following the construction of the Panama Canal, a new Caribbean policy was adopted, a gradual dominance of the national affairs of the islands and the Caribbean countries.

Five distinct periods are included in the political life of this area described by Dr. Inman: first, the pre-Columbian era; second, the dominance of the Spaniards; third, the entrance of the European powers; fourth, the wars of independence from Spain; fifth, the Spanish-American war bringing gradual control by the United States.

American control, especially under President Theodore Roosevelt, made rapid advance with a new interpretation of the Monroe Doctrine when the American Government declared: "The Monroe Doctrine may force the United States,

however reluctantly, to exercise international police power." This policy gave the United States "the right" to establish fiscal and police control, to deny recognition to revolutionary government, and to discourage financial aid from abroad.

Better Living Conditions.

This policy did not seek to deprive the peoples of their sovereignty but to insure their stability, sanitation and general welfare, and assure the people better living conditions all around. That such altruism has not been appreciated by the Caribbean nations, Dr. Inman explained by pointing out that the various peoples would prefer to be "rowdy children in their own houses than orderly in Uncle Sam's well-appointed home."

One reason for this not unusual predilection may be the heterogeneous make up of the inhabitants, for, as Dr. Inman showed, into the Caribbean area have come Spaniards, Negroes, whites, Hindus, Syrians, Turks, Japanese, Javanese and what not. And with them they have brought religious affiliations ranging from Roman Catholics, to Protestants, Mohammedans, Buddhists, Brahmins, and voodoo worshippers.

In conclusion Dr. Inman said that the United States should recognize its extraordinary moral responsibilities to the West Indies, fundamentally different from responsibilities that might be admitted toward another part of the world, for the reason that America's interpretation of the Monroe Doctrine has meant that these islands have been largely deprived of help from other parts of the world.

Cuban Programme Outlined.

Speaking before members of the Seminar, Mr. Geo. Howland Cox, staff correspondent of *The Christian Science Monitor*, expressed the opinion that a programme for the economic, social, financial and political rehabilitation of Cuba was definitely in the making.

Mr. Cox explained that the American Ambassador to Cuba, Mr. Sumner Welles, had already been accepted as mediator by other Cuban groups to help settle their grievances with the Cuban Government. And he further pointed out that President Machado had agreed to bring about certain far-reaching reforms demanded by these groups.

Tracing the political and financial disturbances of past presidential regimes, Mr. Cox said that the present Machado Administration was at least no worse than those which had preceded it. He suggested that each administration had carried forward the mistakes of former chief executives until the inheritance has become too troublesome. (Continued at foot of next column)

MALAY RULER'S SUDDEN DEATH

YAM TUAN OF NEGRI SEMBILAN

Seremban, August 11.—After a very brief illness, His Highness, the Yang di Per Tuan Besar of Negri Sembilan, died at his Astana at Sri Menanti at 2.45 p.m. to-day.

His Highness was taken suddenly ill yesterday with intestinal obstruction and his condition being considered serious he was removed to the European Hospital, and Dr. J. Wilson, chief surgeon F.M.S., was summoned, whilst Dr. C. J. Smith, of the General Hospital, Singapore, was also brought to Seremban, and every effort was made to relieve the patient's condition. Dr. E. S. Lawrie was also in attendance.

The Yam Tuan is understood to have refused to undergo an operation and returned to his Astana to-day. His condition steadily worsened and he passed away at 2.45 p.m.

Governor's Message.

Meanwhile news of His Highness' illness caused great concern when it was known in Kuala Lumpur and at Government House, Singapore.

The following telegram was sent by Sir Cecil Clementi, the High Commissioner, to the British Resident, Negri Sembilan: "I am very deeply grieved at news of death of His Highness, the Yang di Per Tuan Besar of Negri Sembilan, and to the people of Negri Sembilan my true sympathy in their bereavement." — *Singapore Free Press.*

Late Ruler's Successor.

For the first time in Malayan history a Ruler of a State will possess the experience of being a Barrister-at-Law of the Inner Temple with experience as a member of the Malayan Civil Service. This is Tungku Abdul Rahman, eldest son of the late Yam Tuan who has been elected to succeed his father as Yam Tuan of Negri Sembilan. The new Ruler is about 37 years of age and was first appointed to the Malay Administrative Service in August, 1921, having been promoted to Civil Service rank in March, 1930, and is a member of Class V of the M.C.S.

The Funeral.

Old-world ritual and solemn ceremonial attended the obsequies in connection with the funeral of Tungku Sir Muhammad, R.C.M.G., K.C.V.O., G.C.M.G., the Yang di Per Tuan Besar of Negri Sembilan, and the proclamation of his successor, his eldest son, Tungku Abdul Rahman.

His Majesty's Sympathy.

The following telegrams were received by His Excellency the High Commissioner from the Right Hon. the Secretary of State for the Colonies dated London, August 3, 1933:—

"I have read with much regret your telegram reporting death of Yang-di-Per-tuan of Negri Sembilan."

"Please express my deep sympathy with his family in their bereavement."

"His Majesty the King commands me to inform you he has heard with much regret of the death of Yang-di-Per-tuan of Negri Sembilan and to express his sympathy with the family of His Highness and people of Negri Sembilan."

PENANG HILL ROAD TURNED DOWN

TOO EXPENSIVE A LUXURY AT PRESENT TIME

Singapore, Aug. 2.—Several of the Official members of the Legislative Council at the meeting yesterday, voted against the \$200,000 scheme for the Penang Hill Road and others abstained from voting in spite of the strong recommendation of His Excellency, the Governor, that they should support the project, which he said should have been developed fifty years ago.

There was a prolonged debate on the subject and a good deal of outspoken comment. All the Penang members with the exception of Mr. Lim Chuan Ean supported the scheme but the Unofficial members did not consider that the expense involved was justified or that the building of the road would lead to the expected development of Penang Hill. — *Singapore Free Press.*

to throw off without American assistance. "I believe," he said, "that with internal strife eliminated Cuba will become a free nation in every sense that that word implies. The United States: once freed Cuba from the bondage of the Spanish Crown. The United States is anxious to free the Cuban people from their present-day bondage. The wish of the American Ambassador is to reunite a family divided against itself. To this end the American President has also seemingly pledged himself."

Local and General

The weekly whist drives at the Sailors' Home and Seamen's Institute, Gloucester Road, will restart on Wednesday next, August 16, at 9 p.m. Admission 50 cents.

It being his 17th conviction for hawking vegetables without a licence, Mr. Wynne-Jones yesterday imposed a fine of \$15 or three weeks' gaol on a young Chinese coolie.

Charged before Mr. Wynne-Jones yesterday with the possession of ten loads of raw opium, a Chinese pleaded guilty and was fined \$300 with the alternative of two months' gaol.

Four strokes were ordered for a youthful Chinese hawk—a member of the Street Boys' Club, who despite warnings from the Police persisted in causing an obstruction in Rumsey Street with his stall.

As a result of numerous requests, the management of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., are transferring the Symphonic Concerts from the Peninsula Hotel to the Hong Kong Hotel commencing Sunday, 13th August, 1933.

Two Chinese women were charged before Comdr. Newill at the Marine Court yesterday morning with boarding the s.s. Tjisadane without the permission of the master. They pleaded guilty and were fined \$20 each.

Pau Kni, office-boy employed by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., was fined \$5 by Mr. Wynne-Jones in the Central Police Court yesterday for riding a bicycle without a red light on the reflector in Des Voeux Road Central.

The Colony had a clean bill of health on Wednesday.

Several of the existing buoys in the harbour are to be changed in the near future. Already three have been lifted, A.19, opposite Holt's Wharf, B.1, opposite the Vehicular Ferry, and O.8, near the Causeway Bay Shelter.

A week's formal remand was granted by Mr. Schofield yesterday in a case in which Lo Lung, a fisherman, is charged with manslaughter. It was alleged that the deceased received a kick in the abdomen from the defendant, and that death followed the assault.

Charged with possession of 16 *piu* tickets, a shop fold, represented by Mr. Horace Lo, was discharged, the magistrate being satisfied with an explanation submitted by Mr. Lo to the effect that the tickets were held by the defendant on behalf of a syndicate consisting of members from the shop of which defendant was a faki.

An interesting feature concerning "The Speckled Band" the British film based on one of the Conan Doyle's Sherlock Holmes stories, showing at the Central Theatre for the first time to-day, is that Mr. Lyn Harding, the well-known London actor, who takes a leading part, is a cousin of Mr. G. F. Rees, B.Sc., of the Hong Kong Education Department, and an assistant master at King's College. Mr. Lyn Harding plays the part of Dr. Grimesby Ryot in the film, a part he played as far back as 1910, when appearing in the stage version. Another link Mr. Harding has with the Colony is that in 1923 he appeared in a repertoire of plays in the now demolished City Hall.

CUBAN POLITICAL
WARAmerica May
InterveneSTERN WARNING BY PRES.
ROOSEVELT

Hyde Park, New York, Aug. 10. President Roosevelt in a message to the Cuban Government, urges that country to abandon political warfare in the interests of economic welfare. The warning, which is in the form of a statement to Senor Cintas, the Cuban Ambassador to Washington, reads:—

"The problems of starvation and depression are of such immediate importance that even political problems should be met in a patriotic spirit in order to improve conditions as early as possible."

It is believed that President Roosevelt is prepared to go further, if necessary, to restore order in Cuba and is at present in close touch with the situation, by telegraph.

Meanwhile, Senor Cintas has left for New York.—*Reuter.*

HINT TO RESIGN

Hyde Park, Aug. 10. President Roosevelt's statement to the Cuban Ambassador to Washington, is unofficially interpreted to hint that President Machado must quit office if he cannot rule without force.

While there is no doubt that President Roosevelt is contemplating immediate action to restore order in Cuba there is not the slightest sign of his contemplating armed intervention.—*Reuter.*

A STATE OF WAR?

Havana, Aug. 10. A proclamation that a state of war equivalent to martial law existed, signed yesterday by President Machado, to become effective immediately, decrees that no-one is allowed in the streets after 6 p.m. (local time).

Guards have been placed on the bridges leading out of the city.—*Reuter.*

New York, Aug. 10. President Machado yesterday issued a decree declaring that a state of war existed over the entire island of Cuba.—*Reuter.*

BRITISH PROTEST

Washington, Aug. 10. It is learned, authoritatively that the British Minister to Cuba, Sir John Joyce Broderick, and the Spanish Ambassador to Havana, have complained to the American Ambassador to Havana regarding the treatment of their citizens and the damage to their property as a result of the strikes and rioting.

The Spanish Ambassador states that three Spanish citizens have been killed during the past three days. In addition, several have been wounded and scores arrested.—*Reuter.*

F. L. KOHLY LEAVES FOR CUBA

Madrid, Aug. 10. Dr. Mario Garcia Kohly, the Cuban Ambassador to Madrid for the past 20 years, leaves for Cuba to-day. It is reported that he will be welcome as President in succession to Machado.

In an interview with *Reuter*, Dr. Kohly said he would gladly accept the provisional Presidency, if it were offered him, after first assuming the portfolio of Minister of Justice.

It is believed that this procedure is desired by all parties in Cuba, and also by Mr. Welles, the United States Ambassador to Cuba, judging by a telephonic communication from a friend in New York.

He added that he had plans for the complete reform of the Cuban Constitution, modelled on the Constitution of Switzerland, including a Presidential term of four years without re-election.—*Reuter.*

IS DE VALERA
FINISHED?Uproar In Free State
DailSHOUTS OF "YOU ARE
RUINING THE COUNTRY"

Dublin, Aug. 10. De Valera was shouted down for the first time since he entered the Dail in 1927, when he attempted to speak early to-day after a four hours' debate on the Economic Crisis and the position of private armies. There were shouts of "You are ruining the country; You are too weak to handle any situation."

De Valera, angry and livid, shouted replies and the Speaker twice ineffectually intervened.

The row increased when a Deputy insulted the speaker and deputies bandying in the abuse, after which a brief silence followed the Speaker's threat to adjourn, but de Valera had only spoken six words when stentorian shouts of "shirker" created a fresh tumult till 2.15 p.m., when the Dail adjourned till September 27, without de Valera having an opportunity to explain the Government's attitude regarding the parade of National Guards on August 13, which the whole country is eagerly awaiting.—*Reuter.*

SILK INDUSTRY IN
KWANGTUNGBAZAAR TO OPEN ON
AUGUST 24

Canton, Aug. 10. Intensive efforts are being made from to-day to boost a revival of the silk industry of Kwangtung which is really the life blood of the province. By means of public addresses, articles in the newspapers, issue of posters and slogans, wireless broadcasts, and a silk exhibition bazaar, the campaign is in full swing and will continue until August 16.

High authorities on the silk industries will give talks on how to improve this production with the objecting of raising the standard of living and prosperity of the people. Mr. Liu Hsueh Chen, director of the Silk Improving Bureau of the Department of Reconstruction, will start the series of public addresses to be followed by learned professors of the Sun Yat Sun University and other technical institutes.

The propaganda campaign is to impress on the people of this province in general, and the silk producers and merchants in particular, about the necessity of restoring the former prosperity of this industry. The slogans issued by the Silk Improving Bureau are inscribed as follows:—"Native Silk Is the Life Line of Kwangtung." "Our Economic Foundation Depends on this Industry." "The Silk Industry Directly, and Indirectly Feeds the 30,000,000 people of Kwangtung," etc.

The Silk Exhibition Bazaar will open on August 24 at the Y.M.C.A. on the Bund and will last ten days. Organised in memory of Empress Huang Ti who first taught the people how to rear silk worms and production of silk, the Bazaar will have on display all varieties of silk products which will be sold at specially reduced prices.

Silk producers and the local authorities are endeavouring to turn out better quality of silk for domestic and foreign consumption.

A FORGED LETTER?

ALLEGED ATTEMPT TO TRICK
H.K. & SHANGHAI BANK

Serious allegations of uttering a forged letter addressed to the Accounts Department of the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, and forging a similar letter were made against a Chinese named Hip Kwong, when he was brought before Mr. Wynne-Jones at Central Magistracy yesterday. Mr. H. A. de Botelho appeared for the defence, & Detective-Sergeant McRobbie, who prosecuted, asked for a remand, stating that the police were not quite satisfied with their investigations. This was granted, the case being fixed for Wednesday next, bail being allowed in the sum of \$500.

INDO-JAPANESE
TRADENEGOTIATIONS TO OPEN
IN SEPTEMBER

LONDON, Aug. 9. The anticipated negotiations between the representatives of the Indian and the Japanese Governments for a new trade agreement to replace the one which, in accordance with the six months' notice of denunciation, expires on October 10, will probably open at Simla on September 21. Mr. Sanson, the British Commercial Counsellor in Tokyo, will attend in an advisory capacity.

A three-party discussion between representatives of industries concerned of Lancashire, India and Japan will also take place the same time at Simla.

These discussions will relate to the Indian market in respect of all classes of textiles, and to British Colonial markets in which India is interested. It is probable that before the Simla conversations open Japanese industrial delegates will visit London for preliminary conversations with representatives of British cotton textile and rayon industries and it is thought that the proposal for the Simla three-party discussions was made on the understanding that the discussion in India would be followed immediately by a discussion between industrial representatives of Britain and Japan in this country in regard to other textile markets.

British Note to Japan.

Mr. Walter Runciman, President of the Board of Trade, in a letter to Mr. T. Matsudaira, the Japanese Ambassador, dated July 20, expressed the hope that the Japanese Government would be able to accept this proposal on the behalf of Japanese industry, and that by means of a discussion of this kind contemplated interests might arrive at a satisfactory agreement.

The Japanese Ambassador, accompanied by the Commercial Counsellor, Mr. Matsuyama, called at the Board of Trade yesterday, and in the absence of Mr. Runciman, saw Sir Horace Wilson. A communique issued by the Foreign Office states that the Ambassador handed in the Japanese Government's reply to Mr. Runciman's letter. "It is understood that certain points were raised which are now being examined, after which it is proposed that a further letter should be addressed to the Japanese Ambassador. These points deal mainly with procedure."

Arrangements for holding the discussions in India between the industrial representatives of the United Kingdom, India and Japan and for the subsequent discussions in London which are now being proceeded with.—*British Wireless Service.*

ANGLO-SOVIET TRADE
DISCUSSIONS

LONDON, Aug. 10. Anglo-Soviet negotiations dealing with the possible form of the new commercial treaty were resumed at the Board of Trade yesterday.—*British Wireless Service.*

SALE OF WOLFRAM
AND TUNGSTENOPPOSITION TO ALLEGED
MONOPOLY

(From Our Special Correspondent)

Canton, Aug. 10. Opposing the alleged monopoly in the sale of wolfram and tungsten ores as granted to a certain Foreign Company by the Ministry of Industries at Nanking, several public bodies in Ta Yu, South Kiangsi, have issued a joint circular telegram in support of the Chinese mining companies in that section of the province.

The telegram pointed out that according to Article XI of the "Fundamentals of National Reconstruction" as sponsored by the late Dr. Sun Yat Sen mining rights and irrigation belong to the jurisdiction of the local government and that the Ministry of Industries has no power to sign such contract with any company. In view of the impoverished conditions in South Kiangsi following the Communist ravage, the telegram stated that such a monopoly should not be given to a foreign concern to the detriment of the Chinese mining companies and thousands of miners.

It is believed here that the Communists have spent their force in the recent push into Fukien. Their intention was to gain a foothold in Fukien during the present harvest time so as to get rice for the famished troops.

Three divisions of the 19th route army are now fighting the Reds, and military authorities believe (Continued on previous column)

PROPOSED SALE
OF C.E.R.HEATED ARGUMENT IN
HARBIN

Harbin, Aug. 10. To-day's four-hour heated conference between the Manchukuo directors and the Soviet directors of the Chinese Eastern Railway only discussed the question of the limitation of the powers of the Soviet General Manager of the Railway. The Manchukuo representatives suggested that the Soviet General Manager and the Manchukuo assistant manager should in future jointly sign all railway documents. The Soviet representatives countered with the statement that equal and joint administrative powers were impracticable, and proposed that the question be considered by a special commission. The Manchukuo directors then demanded an immediate decision or an agreement in principle. In this connection it should be remembered that the Soviet General Manager latterly has had practically dictatorial powers.—*Reuter.*

U.S. NAVAL
CHANGESNEW C-IN-C. OF ASIATIC
FLEET

Shanghai, Aug. 10. Admiral F. B. Upham, ex-Chief of the Bureau of Navigation in Washington is arriving in Shanghai early next week to relieve Admiral M. M. Taylor as Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Asiatic fleet.

Admiral Upham spent several weeks in Japan where he made the acquaintance of leading Japanese officials.—*Reuter.*

SILVER MARKET

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LONDON, Aug. 10. FOLLOWING ARE THE SILVER QUOTATIONS ON THE LONDON MARKET TO-DAY:

Aug. 10.	Aug. 10.	Aug. 10.
Spot	18 1/16	17 15/16
Forward	18 1/2	18

THE LONDON ON NEW YORK CROSS RATE TO-DAY WAS: £1=4.48 1/2.

THE SHENGAN
PIRACYCULPRITS TO BE TRIED
AT PORT ARTHUR

Dairen, Aug. 10. The Chief Prosecutor, Mr. Shinsei Ikeuchi, has formally charged the s.s. Shengan pirates with murder and robbery. The trial date has not yet been fixed, but it is understood that the robbery charge includes piracy.

The decision to hold the trial at Port Arthur was taken as evidence by the Japanese Government denies the request of extradition to Germany.—*Reuter.*

COMMUNISTS IN
W. FUKIENTROOPS SUFFERING FROM
STARVATION

Canton, Aug. 10. The territory between Lien Cheng and Lung Yen in western Fukien has become uninhabited owing to Red scourge. Only troops of the 19th route army are stationed in those towns, according to the Chinese press.

The Communists under the command of "General" Pang Teh-huai, the so-called commander-in-chief of the Communist force, launched a desperate vent into western Fukien with the hope of securing food for his hungry force, but being stubbornly held up, reinforcements of the 19th route army, the Communist drive did not achieve its objective.

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ANOTHER ATTACK
ON AUSTRIARadio Speech By
HabichtEUROPEAN CHANCELLERIES
JARRIED

London, Aug. 10. Habicht's radio attack on the Austrian Government has jarred the European Chancelleries, which are relying on German promises to Italy to avoid provocations. Habicht's language last night was most immoderate, he said Dollfuss' Government was "unable of anything except good by appealing to anti-German foreign countries especially France, for the sole purpose of remaining in office against the wish of the people. Dollfuss belonged to a gang of terrorists and there will be no European peace until Central Europe is pacified by an Austro-German union under the Nazis." He said the demarches from the Powers to Berlin would not have the slightest effect.

The Viennese Press is most disappointed, both the Government *Reichspost* and the *Demokratische Tag* are of the opinion that Habicht's attack is an affront to Italy.—*Reuter.*

ITALIAN AIR
ARMADASAFE ARRIVAL AT
TAGUS

Lisbon, Aug. 10. THE 23 flying boats of the Italian Air Armada, under the command of the Italian Air Minister, General Balbo, alighted safely at Tagus, at 3.45 p.m. (G.M.T.) yesterday.—*Reuter.*

The second fatality during the Rome-Chicago-Rome flight occurred on Wednesday, when one of the amphibians overturned and sank while taking off from Pontedagada to join the contingents of the flight which landed at Horta, on Tuesday. Lieut. Squaglia, the assistant pilot, was drowned.

The first mishap occurred at Amsterdam, on July 1, on the outward flight to Chicago, over the North Atlantic.

PLANE CRASHES
AT HONOLULUFIVE AIRMEN KILLED:
ONE INJURED

Honolulu, Aug. 10. Five United States Naval Airmen were killed and one injured in an aeroplane crash which occurred here to-day.—*Reuter.*

CODOS AND ROSSI NOW
RETURNING TO FRANCE

BEYROUT, Aug. 10. Codos and Rossi departed at 4 a.m. on a non-stop flight to Marseilles.—*Reuter.*

JAPANESE NAVY AERO-
PLANE MISSING

Tokyo, Aug. 9. One of the Navy aeroplanes from Yokosuka which had been simulating night air raid failed to return to the base and the Navy has been instructed to search for the missing machine.—*Reuter.*

CANTON MECHANICS
UNIONDISMISSAL OF MR. LU
KAN LIN

Canton, Aug. 10. Owing to the trouble in the Mechanics Union whose members are insisting upon the removal of Mr. Lee Tak-shin as the chairman, the Kwangtung Provincial Kuomintang has appointed eleven persons to reorganize the Mechanics Union. The purpose is to reform the Union with the view of eliminating corruption by some of the officials. Lee Tak-shin is alleged to have manipulated the finances of the Union for his own end and has conducted himself arrogantly to the disgust of the Kuomintang authorities.—*Central Press.*

RECAPTURE OF
DOLONOR?JAPANESE REPORTED TO
HAVE ENTERED CITY

Tokyo, Aug. 10. A Japanese Press report from Mukden states that the vanguard of the Manchukuo forces, under Li Shou Shen, recaptured Dolonor last evening after driving out Chi Huang Chang's troops who suffered heavy losses.—*Reuter.*

FATE OF DOLONOR A
MYSTERY

Shanghai, Aug. 10. Yu Hsueh Chung, Governor of Hopei and head of the Retrocession Commission, left for Peiping this morning for Kuling, via Hankow, to see the Generalissimo concerning the retrocession of the Luantung area.

Some mystery surrounds the fate of Dolonor, but a Military Council official when interviewed, stated that the city is still in Chinese hands, though the Japanese and Manchukuo forces have crossed the border from Jehol.—*Reuter.*

JAPANESE STILL IN
SHANHAIKWANRETROCESSION STILL
INCOMPLETE

Peiping, Aug. 10.

That the Japanese withdrawal from Luantung is far from complete is shown by the statement of Mr. Liu Shih-shen, a member of the Retrocession Committee, when interviewed by *Reuter's* correspondent. He said that retrocession from the Wallied City and Shanhaikwan required further negotiation with the Commander of the Japanese Garrison at Tientsin, and he was leaving to see General Nakamura very soon.

He expressed the hope that the problems of through-traffic caused by the retrocession from Shanhaikwan would be settled by the middle of the month.—*Reuter.*

"WILL CONTINUE TO
FIGHT"

(From Our Special Correspondent)

Canton, August 10. "I will continue the fight against the Japanese invaders and know nothing about the retirement of Feng Yu Hsiang," stated General Fang Chen Wu, in a telegram received here to-day by the South-West Political Council.

General Fang, who is an ally of the "Christian General," also expressed surprise that General Soong Chieh Yuan is returning to Chong to resume his chairmanship of the Provincial Government. General Fang emphasised that he would not yield to the traitors and enemy but hopes to have the continued support from the South-west.

FENG YU HSIANG RETIRES

Nanking, Aug. 9. General Sung Chieh Yuan's representative Mr. Hsiao Chen Ying who arrived here from Kuling in the morning, left for Peiping, at 7.00 o'clock this evening. Prior to his departure he had an interview with Mr. Wang Ching Wei.

Interviewed by the Chinese Press, Mr. Hsiao expressed the opinion that the preliminary steps for settling the Chong situation would be carried out smoothly and said that General Feng Yu Hsiang had assented to relinquishment of administrative and military affairs in Chong and also reorganisation of his troops by the Central Government.—*Reuter.*

NEW JAPANESE
CRUISER

Tokyo, Aug. 10. The keel of the 8,050 tons light cruiser, *Suzuya*, ordered in accordance with the replacement programme, was laid at the Yokosuka Navy Yard to-day.—*Reuter.*

OCCUPATION OF
CORAL ISLANDS"CANNOT BE ACCEPTED
BY JAPAN"

Tokyo, Aug. 10. The occupation by France of Ituaba and other islands in South China Sea continues to evoke comment from official as well as unofficial quarters.

A spokesman at the Navy Office when interviewed said, "The navy will take action only when the Government has decided its policy towards the islands. Naval circles assert that the French claim on the islands is 'very weak' and therefore 'cannot be accepted by Japan.'—*Reuter.*

GENERAL CHANG
HSUEH LIANGVISITS PORTSMOUTH
DOCKYARD

London, Aug. 10. General Chang Hsueh Liang visited Portsmouth Dockyard yesterday and lunched at Admiralty House with the Commander-in-Chief and watched the Navy Week Displays from H.M.S. *Courageous*, which he inspected thoroughly. He returned to London in the evening.—*Reuter.*

WARM WEATHER IN
LONDON

LONDON, Aug. 9. WARM dry weather continues throughout Southern England and, after a cooler morning, the thermometer readings in London were again, in the late afternoon yesterday, over 80 degrees. At 5 o'clock, 84 degrees Fahrenheit were registered.—*British Wireless Service.*

BOY SCOUT RESCUED BY
WARSHIP

LONDON, Aug. 9. FLASH lamp signals by a former Army signaller visiting Plymouth led to the rescue of a Boy Scout by the launch of the battleship *Rodney*, lying in the Sound, on Tuesday night. The Scout was lying unconscious, in a dangerous position at the foot of the cliff over which he had fallen, when he was icked up under H.M.S. *Rodney's* searchlights.—*British Wireless Service.*

SCHOOL-BOY CAMP
AT SOUTHWOLDDUKE ENTERTAINS 400
BOYS

LONDON, Aug. 9. H.R.H. the Duke of York is entertaining 400 boys, drawn from public schools and industrial centres, in camp at Southwold. During games yesterday the Duke, wearing a pull-over and shorts, won a race in which the competitors carried heavy bags of pebbles.—*British Wireless Service.*

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KIDNAPPER SENT TO PRISON

CHINESE WOMAN'S
SERIOUS OFFENCE

Kowloon Magistracy proceedings
against a Chinese woman named
Leung Yau resulted in her being
sent to prison for twelve months
by Mr. Butters for kidnapping a
child from a house in Temple Street.
Another woman who was charged
with being an accessory before the
fact was discharged, the Magistrate
remarked, that there did not ap-
pear to be any evidence against her,
except the allegations of the first
defendant.

Lau Yu, the grandmother of the
child, said that on August 8th she
had occasion to send her grand-
child out to the street. The errand
was a small one but the child did
not return.

Yuen So, the kidnapped child,
said that her grandmother had sent
her out, but before she got to the
street she was accosted by the first
defendant, who lived in the same
house.

Defendant offered to take her
out, saying that she would buy her
something. Witness agreed, but
said she would have to tell her peo-
ple first. Leung Yau, however, re-
marked that it was unnecessary as
she was well-known to them. De-
fendant took her a long way, to
Shamshui, where witness alleged
that she attempted to sell her to
a woman in Lai-chikok Road. "She
kept me there a few days and then
took me home," concluded the child.

In reply to His Worship first de-
fendant asserted that she had no
intention of kidnapping the child.
All that she had done, she did at
the instigation of the second defend-
ant. The latter, however, denied
all this.

At this point the second defend-
ant was discharged and the first
defendant went into the box, where
she reiterated her statements that
she had not been the guilty party.

His Worship: "Why did you take
the girl from her home then?"

Second defendant told me to.

Why should you do so? Well,
I was wrong.

After the police had told
him that nothing was known against
defendant His Worship sentenced
her as above.

THEFT OF JEWELLERY AND CLOTHING

TEN WEEKS SENTENCE.

A month ago, a report was made
to the Yau-mai Police Station to
the effect that Vincent Andrew
Nunes had stolen jewellery and
clothing to the total value of \$148
from the house of Messrs. Samad
and Singham, of Ceylon, who re-
sided at No. 23, Pilgrim Street.
Nunes had already left for Canton
and a warrant for his arrest was
accordingly taken out.

On Tuesday Sergt. Franklin saw
him sitting inside a shop, and, re-
cognising him by his photograph,
arrested him. He was brought
before Mr. Butters at Kowloon
Magistracy yesterday and was given
10 weeks' hard labour.

RAILWAY MATERIAL FROM BRITAIN

ORDER PLACED BY MINISTRY
FOR ROLLING STOCK

NANKING, Aug. 4.

In view of the shortage of rolling-
stock along the various govern-
ment railways, the Ministry of
Railways has placed further orders
with factories in Britain.

For the Canton-Hankow Rail-
way, an order for four locomotives
and 74 cars and wagons has been
placed.

The Ministry has also ordered
200 all-steel wagons, which are to
be equally distributed between the
Tientsin-Pukow and Lungshai
Lines. A separate order for eight
passenger coaches has been placed
for the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.
Kuo Min.

FOUR KILLED IN MONGKOK FIRE

SPLENDID WORK BY FIRE BRIGADE

Four people were killed and four others seriously
injured in a fire which broke out at 393, Reclamation
Street, shortly after 1.30 a.m. yesterday.

The casualty list was as follows:—

KILLED

Chiu Yuk, female, aged 75, of 395, Reclamation
Street, 1st floor;

Lo Fuk, female, aged 35, of the same address; Yeung
Suet-Tak, male, aged 6, son of Lo Fuk; and

Chu Chai, male, aged 6, of the same address.

SERIOUSLY INJURED

Ting Sze Fung, female, aged 61, of 395, Reclamation
Street, 1st floor;

Ho Ka Lin, female, aged 26, of 393, Reclamation
Street, 1st floor;

Ho Lung Sze, female, aged 51 of the same address;

and

Pun Shan, male, 49, of the same address, third floor.

THE DAMAGE

The extent of the damage has
not yet been assessed, though we
learned from a reliable source that
the contents of the gunny bag
shop on the ground floor of 393,
Reclamation Street, were insured
for \$1,000.

Apart from those mentioned
above, several other people were
injured though the nature of their
injuries were comparatively slight.
The body of the old woman, Chiu
Yuk, was recovered amongst the
debris on the 1st floor of No. 395,
where she lived.

Pun Shan, a pastry cook, was in-
jured as he made a desperate leap
for liberty from the third floor of
No. 393 onto the street. He was
picked up in a serious condition
and was removed to the Kowloon
Hospital.

As usual, the Fire Brigade were
conspicuous for some heroic rescue
work and no fewer than twenty-
five people were taken out of the
two blazing buildings thanks to
their efforts.

Cause Unknown.

The cause of this fire is yet un-
known, but the outbreak occurred

at about 1.30 a.m. and is believed
to have originated on the first
floor of 393, Reclamation Street,
which was occupied by a firm of
cardboard makers. The ground
floor was occupied by the Chung
Chang Kee gunny bag shop and
the flames soon got hold of the
bags and spread with such rapidi-
ty that in a few minutes it was
evident that the fire brigade would
have a hard job on their hands.
They tackled the situation, how-
ever, with commendable alacrity,
and soon had the fire under con-
trol. Many people on the upper
floors of both Nos. 393 and 395 soon
found themselves trapped but here
again the Fire Brigade showed
their worth, and, braving the rag-
ing flames, the fire-fighters enter-
ed the buildings time and again
and came out with their "human
cargo."

The two boys who were burned
to death appear to have run into
the kitchen on the top floor of No.
395 and, terrorised, remained there
until they were overcome by the
flames.

The whole of No. 393 was gutted
while the 1st, 2nd and 3rd floor of
No. 395 were completely destroyed.

SOVIET EXPERTS TO VISIT U.S.

Inspection of Indus-
trial Equipment

FURTHER COTTON ORDERS PREDICTED

Washington, July 31.
Following the announcement to-
day that 41 Soviet Russian techni-
cians will shortly arrive in the
United States to inspect industrial
equipment, it was reported that the
Administration will decide very
shortly on its Russian policy.

An announcement is expected
shortly that will reveal whether the
Administration will simply reach a
trade agreement with the Soviet or
enter into full diplomatic relations.

Included in the group of techni-
cians are two of Russia's foremost
cotton experts and it was predicted
that further cotton orders will be
placed after their arrival.

The last consignments of Russia's
recent cotton purchases, totalling
14,500,000, are being shipped this
week.

The technicians who are to arrive
here soon are authorised to place
orders for American machinery if
they believe such purchases are wise.

When orders were given to admit
the Russians and show them every
courtesy, there was no understand-
ing that they are to buy American
products. Manufacturers have been
told that there is keen competition
for Russia's trade and that the
ending of the Soviet trade war with
Great Britain has heightened the
competition. British manufacturers

(Continued on next column)

SINGAPORE POLICE INSPECTOR

FOUND NOT GUILTY AT
SECOND TRIAL

Singapore, Aug. 3. The second
trial of Inspector Wood ended yes-
terday when, after a retirement of
only nine minutes, the jury return-
ed a unanimous verdict of not
guilty and the accused was dis-
charged by Mr. Justice Gerahty at
the Assizes Court. It was the
fourth day of the second hearing.
The prosecution alleged that by
his negligent driving, Wood, who
is an Inspector of the Traffic
Branch, caused the death of a
Chinese coolie on the night of July
3 when the motor car he was driv-
ing collided with a handcart in
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will be formidable competitors.

Willing to Extend Credits.

The U. S. Reconstruction Finance
Corporation, however, is agreeable
to the proposal to extend liberal
credits to "Soviet Russia," which
needs machinery that will cost ap-
proximately \$75,000,000. The Cor-
poration, which recently extended a
small credit to Russia, is willing to
extend credits for equipment also,
it was said.

Because of the desire of the Ad-
ministration to get rid of the agri-
cultural resources, it is understood
that Russia can have unusually
favourable terms if raw cotton in
quantity is purchased along with
the orders for technical supplies.

Officials at the Department of
Commerce and Agriculture declined
to comment on the possibility of
diplomatic relations. Officials in
the Reconstruction Corporation
likewise refused to know nothing
of the prospects. Their business was
to provide credits if requested to do
so, they said.—United Press.

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AMERICA AND THE EAST

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PROFESSOR ON EASTERN MENTALITY

Charlottesville, Va., July 10.—The next generation will live in a world in which the Western, Slavonic and Oriental civilizations will be striving for expression, yet universities with their eyes on Plato, Caesar and Napoleon, are not preparing for intelligent living in this kind of a world. Mr. Mortimer Graves, of the American Council of Learned Societies, told the Far-Eastern Round Table.

Urging the laymen to take up the study of Far-Eastern affairs as a hobby, Mr. Graves promised intellectual reward in the discovery that the Orient solves the problems in ways just as successful, but diametrically opposed to those of Western civilization.

He cited the fact that the Chinese language works on a system of pictographs, and that in Oriental law, contracts are not legal if enforcement

works to the disadvantage of either party; that a homogeneous art is produced by processes that would make the Western painter shudder.

Favours Encouraging Japan.

Instead of complaining that the Japanese effort at adjustment with other civilizations is a failure, the Occident should aid in making it a success and learn all it can from the experience, Mr. Graves declared.

"By all means let us strive for an intellectual open door, but let us be sure that it is a swinging door that opens both ways," he concluded.

Mr. Charles E. Moser, chief of the Far-Eastern division of the Department of Commerce, estimated that the "tangible interest" of the United States in the Far East consists of a capital investment of between \$1,000,000,000 and \$1,500,000,000 together with an export trade of about \$500,000,000 annually. The largest investment now is in the Philippines, but this may be changed by the realization of independence, Mr. Moser pointed out. Investments in China are but a little more than one-half the amount invested in Japan, but this ratio may be changed by Japan's concentration on her own market and those of Soviet Russia and South America, while China steps across the threshold of commercial and industrial development, it was said.

Reactionary Seditious In Japan

Blood Brotherhood Trial Has To Be Held In Camera

WIDE REUNIFICATION AND RELENTLESS AGGRESSION

Tokyo.—Further public hearings of the reactionary Blood Brotherhood Society, responsible for the murders last year of several of Japan's most prominent men, have been banned by the authorities as likely to disturb the peace and order of society. Taking a leaf from the pages of communists who, in the past, went up for public trial, these reactionaries have utilised the sacred halls of justice for further propagation, under the guise of evidence, of their dangerous—and what one of the public prosecutors called atrocious—doctrines. Time was when the general public seemed to endorse the activities of reactionaries, due perhaps to the exaggerated police and military reports of the headway with which communism was spreading in the land and tending to subvert the established social order, and so, on the principle of utilising poison to drive out poison, radical activities by societies of the Right were more or less silently tolerated, if not connived at. The more sensible section of the people, however, realize to-day that reactionary doctrines are fraught with as much danger to the social fabric as the teachings of the Marxists and have, by degrees, come to assume an attitude towards these so-called "patriots" similar to that taken towards communists.

Preaching in Court.

The dangers inherent in the uncompromising sort of reactionary doctrines being preached to-day are now being regarded as even greater than the dangers ingrained in communism, for the simple reason that the reactionary movement is camouflaged by a form of specious patriotism, designed to inflame the minds of the half-baked Japanese whose forte is not lucid and rational thinking, who has no resiliency in his character and who is easily aroused by that type of lurid language which panders to the worst in man. This type of "patriotism" dilates *ad lib* on the "divine descent" of the Japanese, their "Heaven-appointed mission," their "manifest destiny," and so forth, and from this to degenerate into anti-foreignism and to the contention that, when a difference of opinion arises, the "divinely-descended" are necessarily in the right is but a step.

The trial of the Blood Brotherhood Society afforded the accused valuable opportunities of preaching in court their creed. When it is remembered that the papers print the judicial proceedings in full, often verbatim, it may easily be seen how the machinery of the law has been cleverly utilised for the diffusion of these dangerous doctrines to an enormous circle of people, persons that these reactionaries could never otherwise hope to reach. The decision of the authorities, therefore, to ban further public hearings has generally been hailed as a very wise and timely one.

Preposterous Tenets.

An example of the megalomania under which this gang of sordid murderers and would-be murderers laboured and some of the preposterous tenets in their creed became evident when, in taking the stand in the Tokyo District Court, Todashi Konuma, who shot former Finance Minister Inouye down in cold blood last year, revealed his Society's plans "for the establishment of Japanese supremacy over the entire world." This man, one of the most dangerous in this gang of murderers and racketeers, after quoting Nichiren (founder of the militant sect of Buddhism in Japan) to the effect that Japan is the finest and the greatest country on earth for the very simple reason

to destroy utterly those responsible for introducing them that the gods created it, went on to say that the importation of things foreign was ruining Japan, and that, therefore, it was necessary to wipe out not merely these "nefarious" importations, but also to destroy utterly those responsible for introducing them into the Land of the Gods. Reciting Buddhist texts and, in general, behaving like a cheap mountebank, Konuma declared that the idea behind the command: "Love your enemies" was "utterly ridiculous," that Japan should have nothing to do with such "watery and spiritless" doctrines, that she should ever rely on the sword and should resort to major surgical operations when the moment and the time proved opportune.

"We believed that the right time had come," he said, "and when I killed Inouye, the only emotion I felt was akin to that of killing a rat."

Dreams of Empire.

The original plan of the Blood Brotherhood League was to wipe out all the statesmen here, all the bankers and industrialists, and men of all parties and men of none. The plot was inspired by a Buddhist priest named Nishio Inouye who was furnished with lethal weapons by a naval officer who later perished in the Shanghai fighting. Behind the plotters were the militarists—not necessarily the higherups in the service—who are still obsessed with dreams of a great war of conquest, of a vast empire carved by the sword, of the overlordship in Asia of Dai Nippon and of the expulsion of all the white races to their benighted homes in the West.

While still investigating into the many ramifications of the Blood Brotherhood Society, the authorities stumbled upon yet another plot, no less serious. This was the discovery of an organization styled "God's Soldiers of Japan," whose principal aims, like those of the Blood Brotherhood Society, consisted of the advocacy of "emergency measures" against foreign countries, and the necessity for a revolution to usher in the rule of the Imperial Way. In addition to the murder objective, these folks are said to have had a political programme, strangely similar to that of the Black Dragon Society which, time and again, has been employed by the military party as agents provocateurs and have rendered too many valuable services in that capacity to be lightly set aside. This programme wanted:

(1) Japan to exercise unquestioned sovereignty over all Manchuria and Mongolia.

(2) Japan to supervise and direct all Chinese finances without the intervention or interference of any third party.

(3) Manchuria and Mongolia to be bases from which Japan should seek to persuade China to bend to the will of Tokyo. (How this was done or attempted in North China is a matter of history to-day.)

(4) Japanese ultimate goal to be the control of China's foreign policy and the management of all its affairs, for which purpose Chinese of high rank, willing to work with Japan, should be enlisted.

(5) China's armies to be disarmed and disbanded, Japan entering into an agreement to dispatch troops to China in case of trouble arising through the disbandment of troops or through uprisings.

(6) China to be completely demilitarized, except for such forces as are trained by Japan, are responsible to her and are controlled by her.—N.O. Daily News.

"THE SPECKLED BAND"

BRILLIANT INTERPRETATION OF CONAN DOYLE THRILLER

When you see "The Speckled Band" you will, of course, be deeply interested in this Sherlock Holmes story and, if you do not know the solution, be anxious to anticipate the denouement. But there is another and more fascinating method of enjoying the picture. You will realize quite early that Dr. Ryloft is a deep-dyed villain, anxious that the fact that he caused the death of Violet Stonor shall not be revealed.

Mark how the director of the picture develops the idea, watch for the growth of suspense as the story is gradually unfolded, and note the steadily growing dread of Helen Stonor whom the villain has determined to "remove."

You, too, will be interested in the utter callousness of the villain, to whom creature comforts are of vital importance and the life of a girl of no value whatever. This as the picture proceeds and the

PASSENGERS

Departures.

Among the passengers leaving by the s.s. Empress of Japan to-day are Major and Mrs. P. Gedgo who are going to Japan for a short holiday. Before returning to Hong Kong in early October they will also pay visits to the Northern ports, Peking, Tientsin, and Shanghai. Other passengers leaving by the "Empress" boat are Major and Mrs. P. Wren of the Dental Corps, also journeying to Japan on vacation, and Mr. L. A. Tobias, of Messrs. Lazarus Co.

mystery is built up, will reveal to you the manner in which the adapter prepared the script, the ideas behind his adaptation and the interpretation by the director. In this instance the two worked closely together in preparing the treatment of Conan Doyle's story, and if you follow carefully you will be surprised at the additional attraction the picture will have for you.

MOTORISTS IN BRITAIN

Law of Negligence to Be Altered

COMMITTEE'S DRASTIC PROPOSALS

In view of the proposed changes in local law the far-reaching proposals in the first report of the Select Committee, appointed in Britain to consider the Road Traffic (Compensation for Accidents) Bill are of local interest.

The Bill deals with one aspect of the question of the compensation for damages caused on the road by motor vehicles. It is limited to cases where the injured person is a pedestrian, or a cyclist, or on a horse-drawn vehicle or riding or leading a horse.

It does not cover the case of damages where the injured person was in or on a motor vehicle.

In 1932, there were 134,008 accidents, in which 8,667 persons were killed and 206,460 were injured in Great Britain. Half of those persons, however, were either on the vehicles to which the accidents were attributed, or on other vehicles.

The number of victims of accidents to pedestrians was:

Killed 3,619

Injured 84,328

These figures, taken with the corresponding figures for preceding years, state the Committee, "do not suggest any likelihood of these accidents being substantially decreased in the future."

Insurers' representatives informed the Committee that their analysis of 20,222 claims showed that in 4,529 cases, or 22.4 per cent., no payment was made.

The Committee have reason to believe that in many of the cases where compensation was paid the compensation was inadequate.

Dangerous Roads.

The Committee decided that good reason had been shown for making a further departure from the general principles of the law of negligence.

"From the point of view of the pedestrian it seems to the Committee that the roads of this country have—at all events in certain places and at certain seasons—been rendered, by the use of motor vehicles, places to which it is dangerous for pedestrians to resort; that, nevertheless, it is necessary for pedestrians to resort to the roads; and that where a pedestrian, without negligence on his part, is injured by a motorist, whether negligent or not, he should be entitled to recover damages."

It may be said against this that it is a hardship on the motorist to be made to pay damages for an accident which was not attributable to his fault.

The Committee take the view that this is, perhaps, a misleading way of regarding the question, and would put it rather that the payment of compensation to innocent pedestrians who suffer injury is a duty, not so much of the individual motorist who does the damage, as of the motoring community as a whole, and that the increased liability of the motorist ought to be covered, as provided for in the Bill, by insurance against the increased third party risk.

The Committee thought that a pedestrian should not be entitled to recover for an accident caused solely by his own negligence.

They thought that where there had been contributory negligence

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the pedestrian should be debarred from recovering full damages altogether of compensation.

Degree of Negligence.

A provision had been made that "where an injury is contributed to, but not solely caused, by the negligence of the injured person, there must be taken into account, in computing the damages, the degree in which the negligence of such person contributed to the accident."

It was pointed out that this principle of computation of damages was not unknown to English statute law, as under the Maritime Conventions Act, 1911, it had been applied and worked without difficulty in the case of collisions between ships at sea where both were to blame.

As to the extra cost to motorists if the Bill were to pass into law, it would be necessary for the insurance companies to find the solution of the problem by experience. The insurance companies were not

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EXTRAVAGANT DENUNCIATION BY COUNSEL

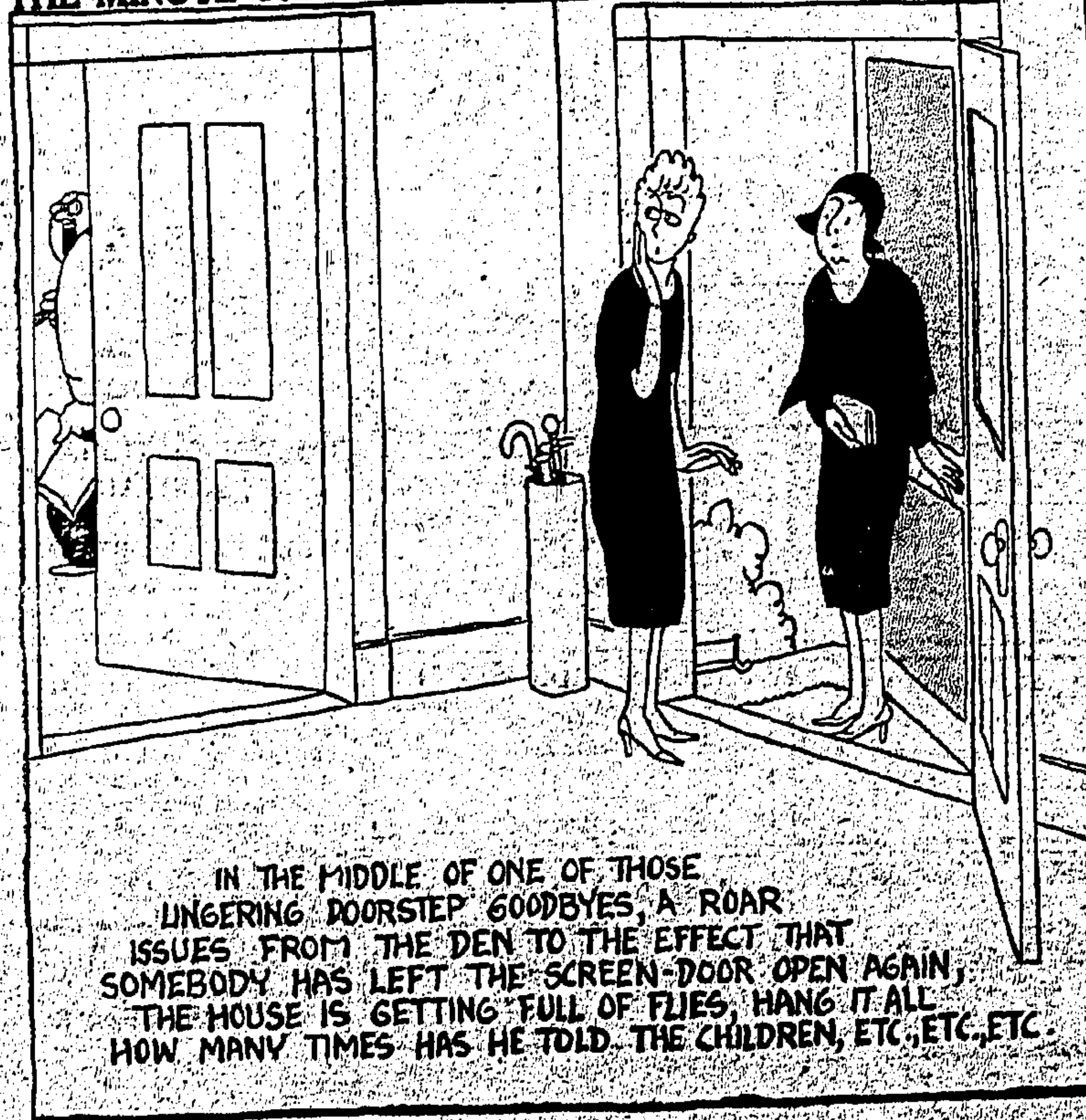
Singapore, Aug. 4.—During the hearing of a motion in the bankruptcy court last Friday, vigorous attacks were made on the alleged improper conduct of Mr. E. N. Taylor, assistant Official Assignee, by counsel for the bankrupt, who asked the Court to take action upon his complaint.

Mr. Justice Mills yesterday held that "counsel's extravagant denunciation of Mr. Taylor's conduct was unjustified" and delivered judgment on a motion brought by the Official Assignee for the "committal of a bankrupt for failing to produce account books."

prepared to submit a figure of the cost as the necessary calculations would take so long and be of a speculative nature.

THE MINUTE THAT SEEMS A YEAR

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



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